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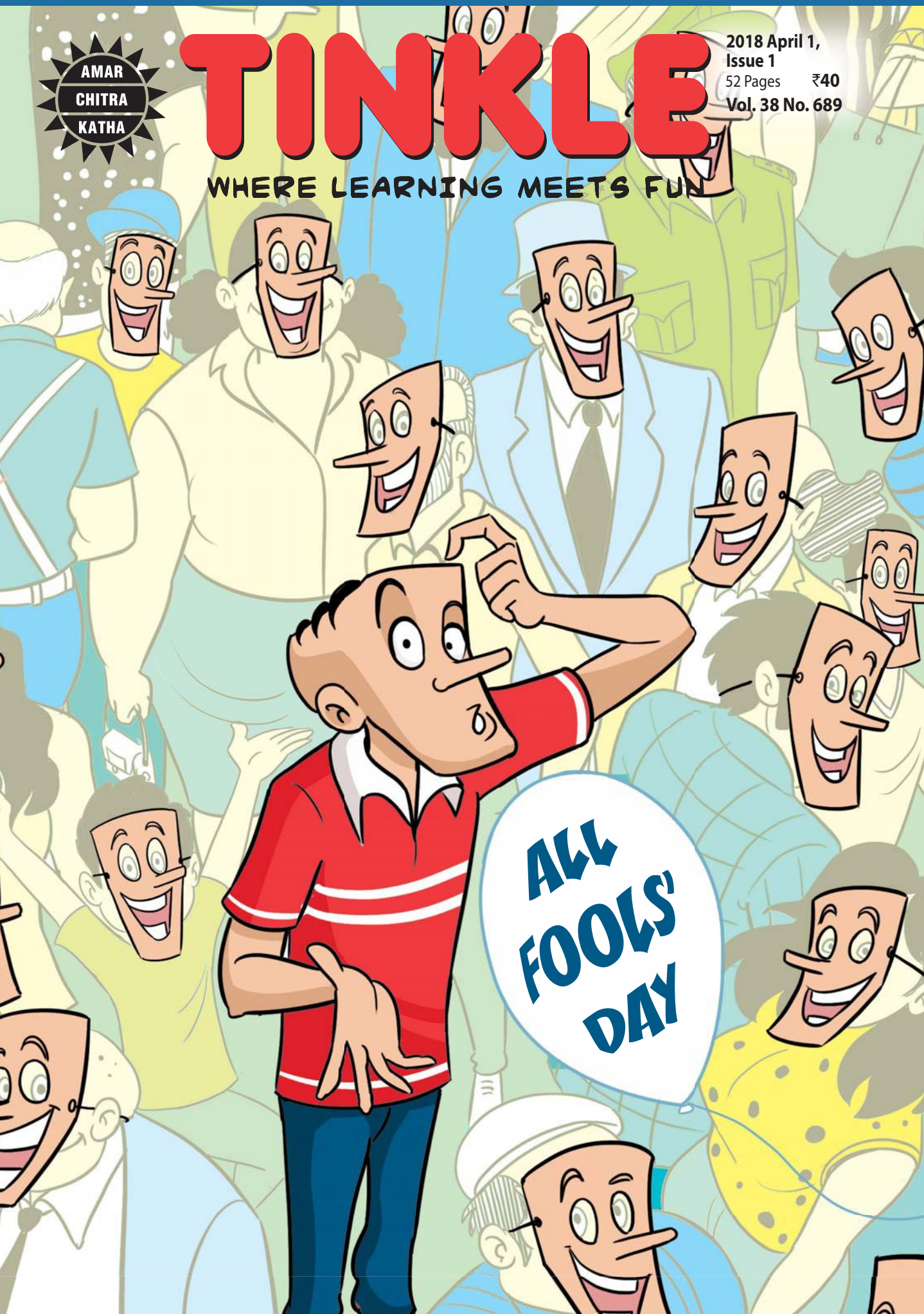

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Hello Friends,

Some time ago, I came across a few interesting articles on a book written by Mr. Mo Gawdat, Chief Business Officer at Google X. Mr. Gawdat said something that I've always believed in. He said you have to work at being happy. Think about it this way—you know how our caregivers tell us to eat right so we grow tall and strong? Or how we go to school and take hobby classes to sharpen our minds and skills? Working at being happy is exactly like that!

We all have days when we are upset with our family and friends. There are times when everything seems to go wrong or the stress of studies gets to us. Is it possible to be happy even then? It just might be. We can ask our family or friends to help us get through this time. We can also distract ourselves and do the things that make us happy.

Once, I got to know that my grandma had fallen ill. She lives in Kerala, so all I could do was worry about it. Later that day, my sister and I had to go out. But I soon became aware that I was snapping at my sister. I was irritable and moody. That's when I realized how much the news about my grandma had upset me.

When I understood that, I apologized to my sister and asked her to help me shake off my bad mood. My sister was great about it. Just asking for help and having my sister's support helped me. It is really not embarrassing to reach out to someone to help us through a period of stress or grief, you know? As for grandma, she is on her way to getting better.

Happiness is entirely up to us and so is figuring out what makes us happy. Some of us may be happy spending time with family and friends. Others may enjoy doing things—reading, playing, writing, singing, dancing, etc. All of these work for me! I hope you find out what makes your heart smile. I also hope the next time you feel down or sad, you remember to work at being happy.

Before I sign off, a salute to Dr. B. R. Ambedkar whose birth anniversary falls on 14 April. This is also a month of festivities. To those of you celebrating Easter on 1 April and New Year between 14 and 21 (Puthandu, Baisakhi, Vishu, Pohela Boishakh and Bohag Bihu) lots of joy from Team *Tinkle*!

Hugs,
Rajani

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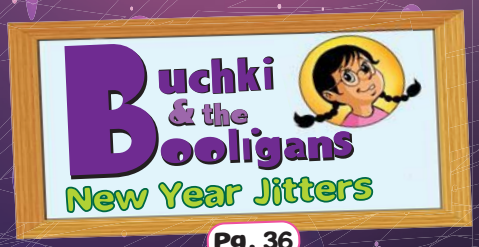

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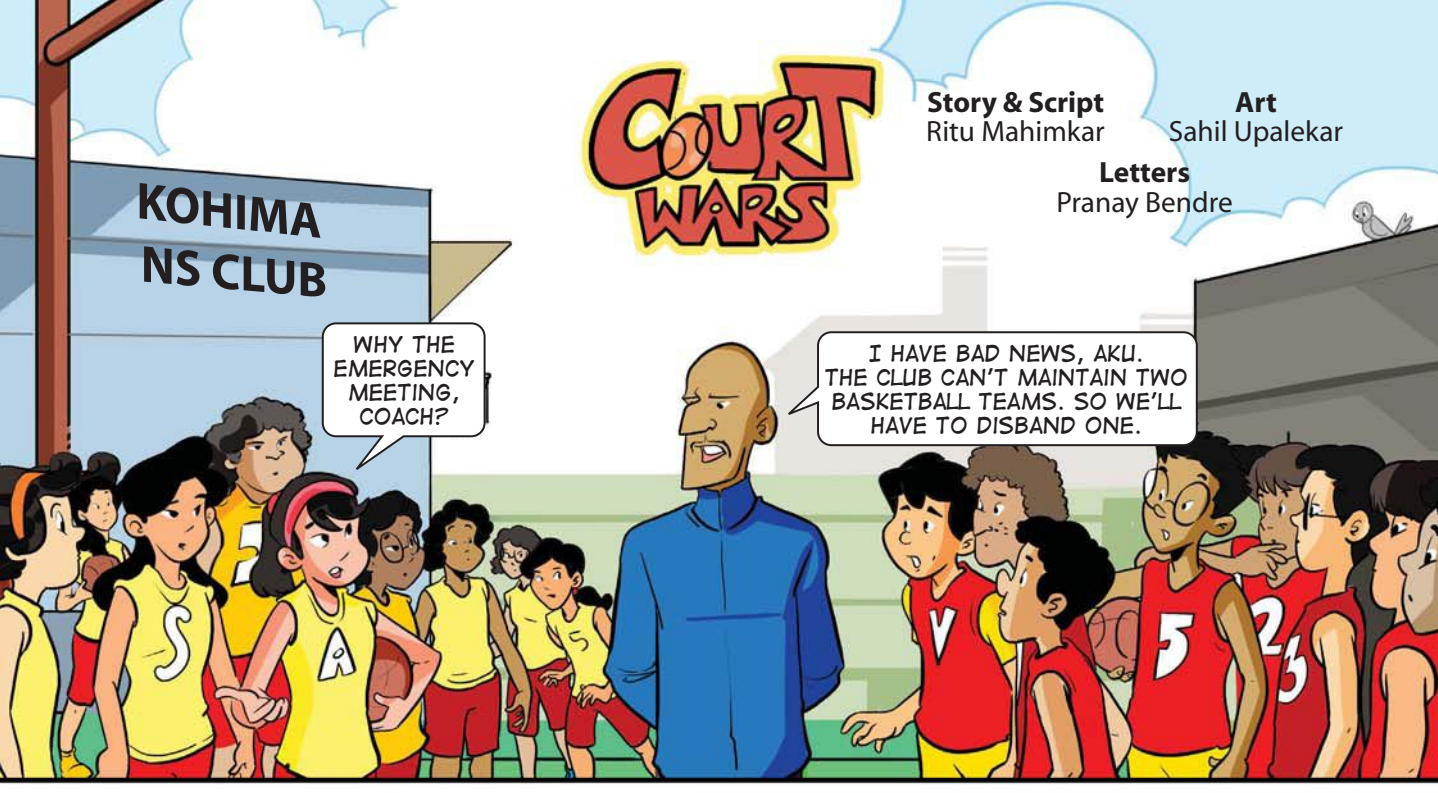

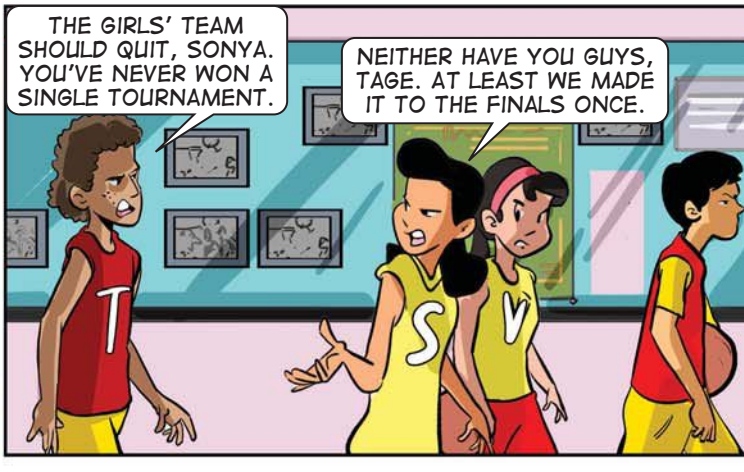

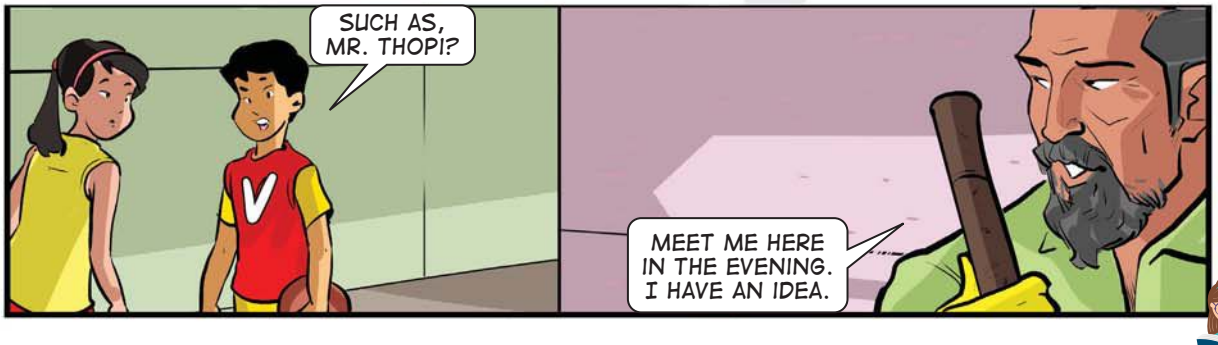

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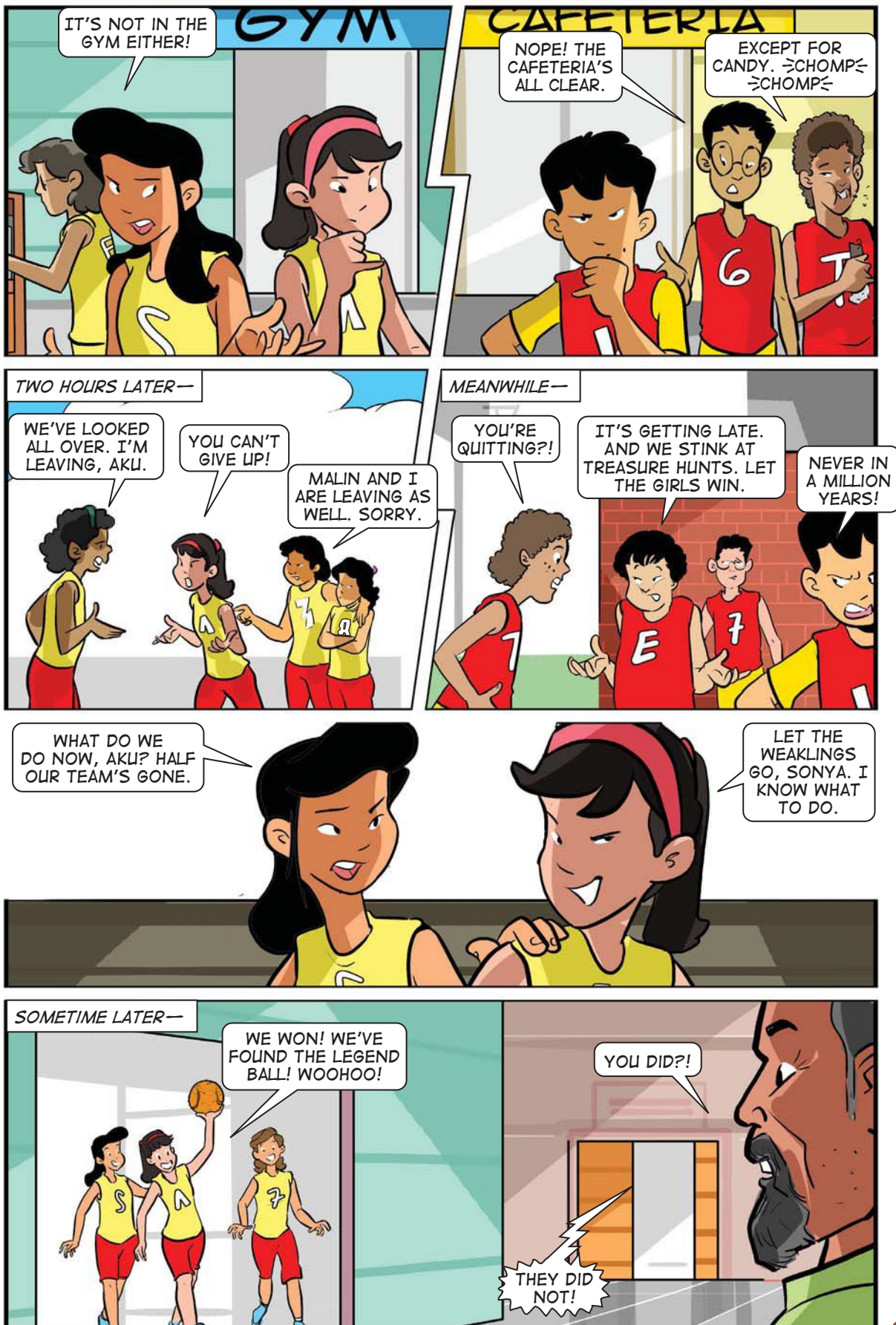

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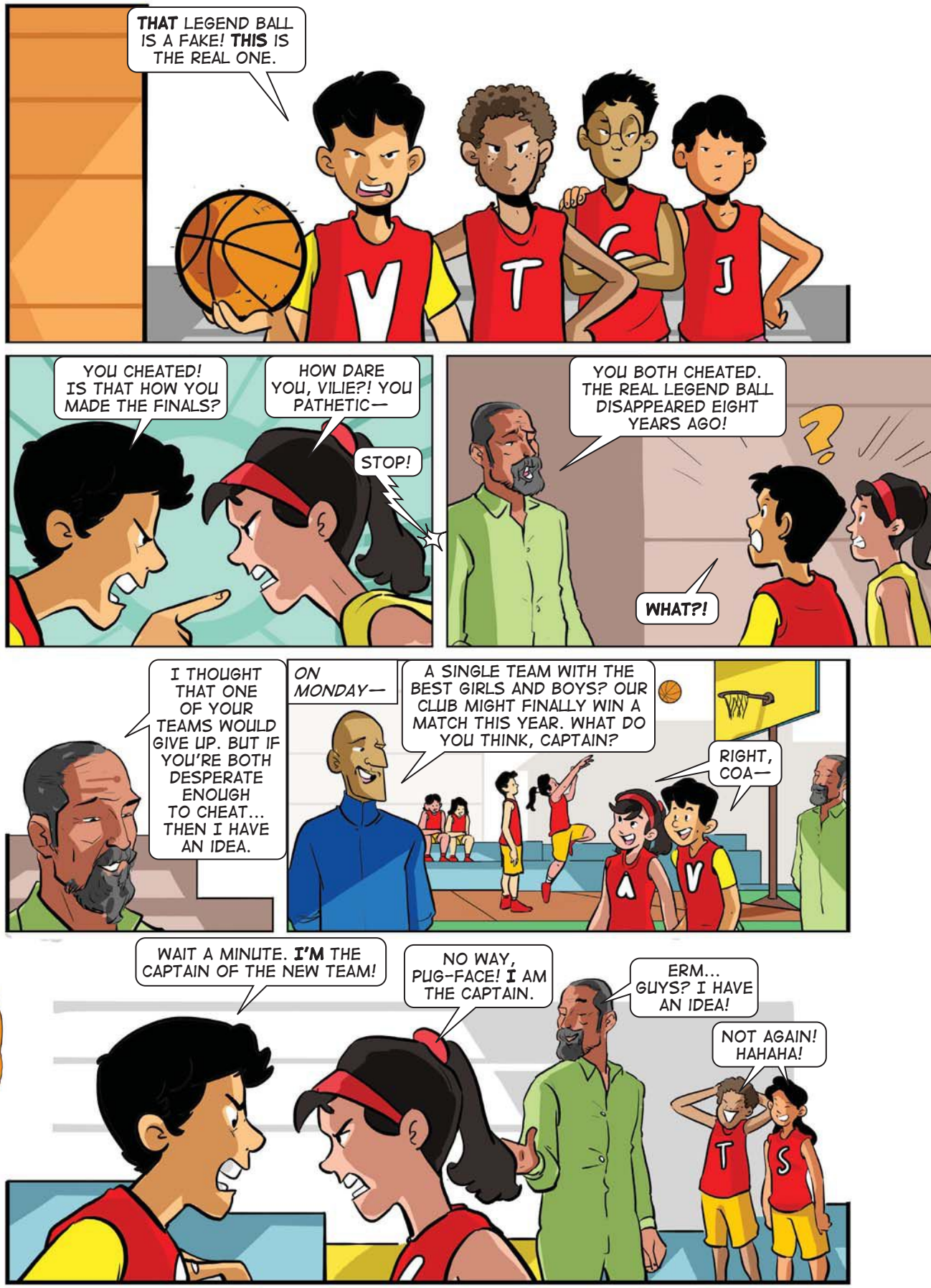

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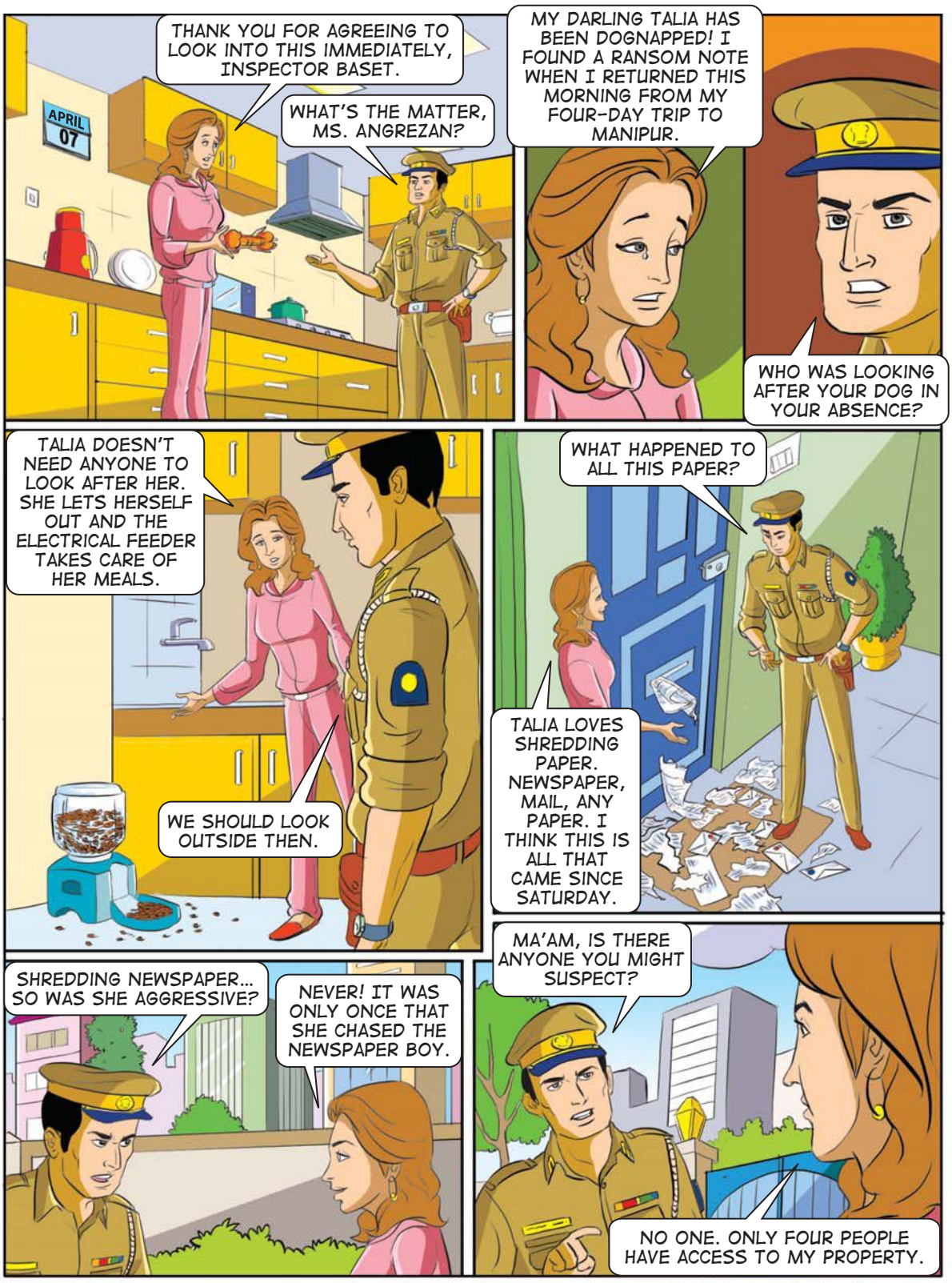

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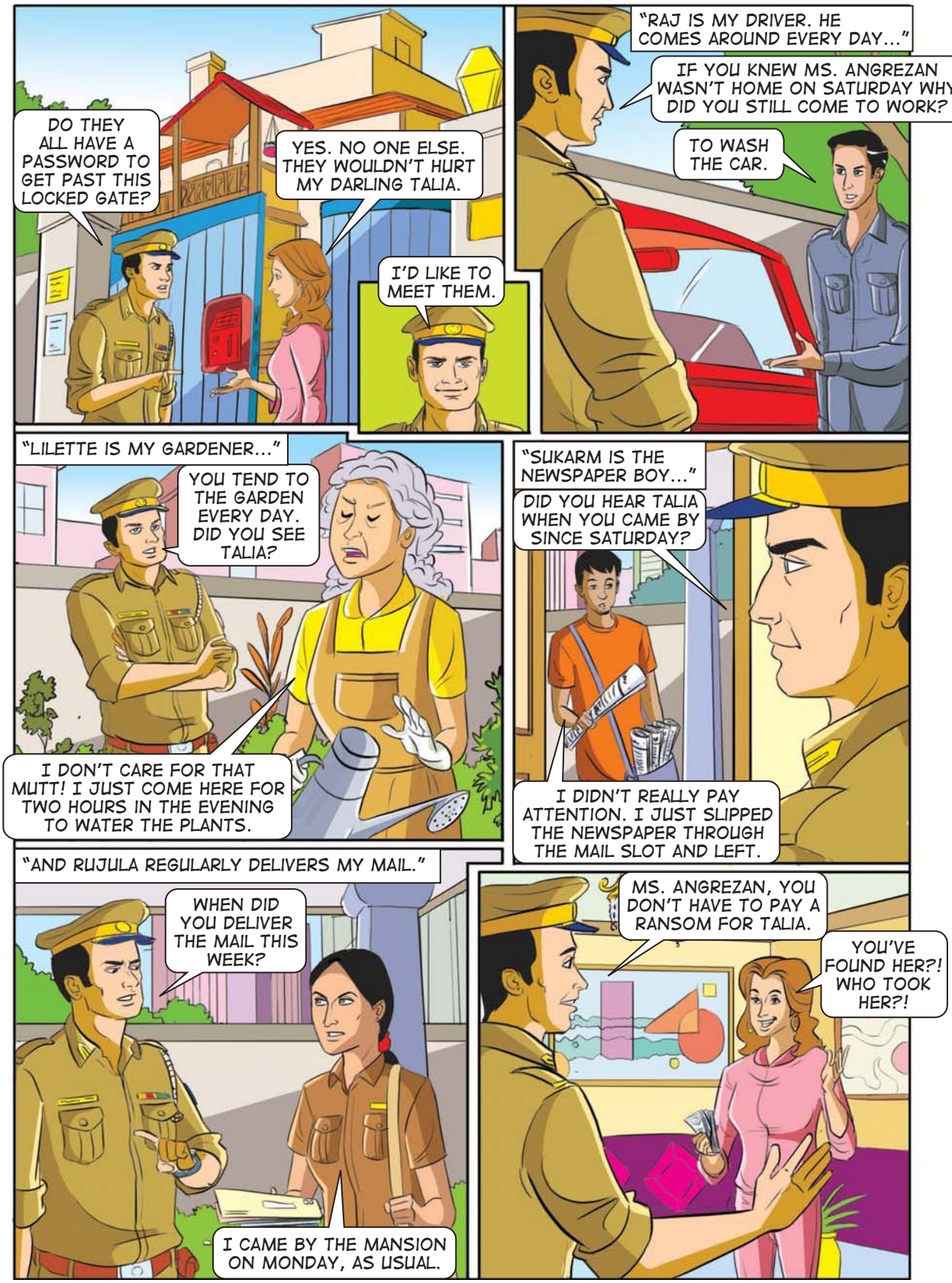

WHO KIDNAPPED TALIA AND HOW DID INSPECTOR BASET FIGURE THAT OUT?

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Meet Pyarelal, the farmer, often addressed as Pyare (by his friends and his wife Lajwanti) or Pyare Dada (by children). He is renowned in the village of Hastipur for his intelligence and the way he uses his common sense to help others.

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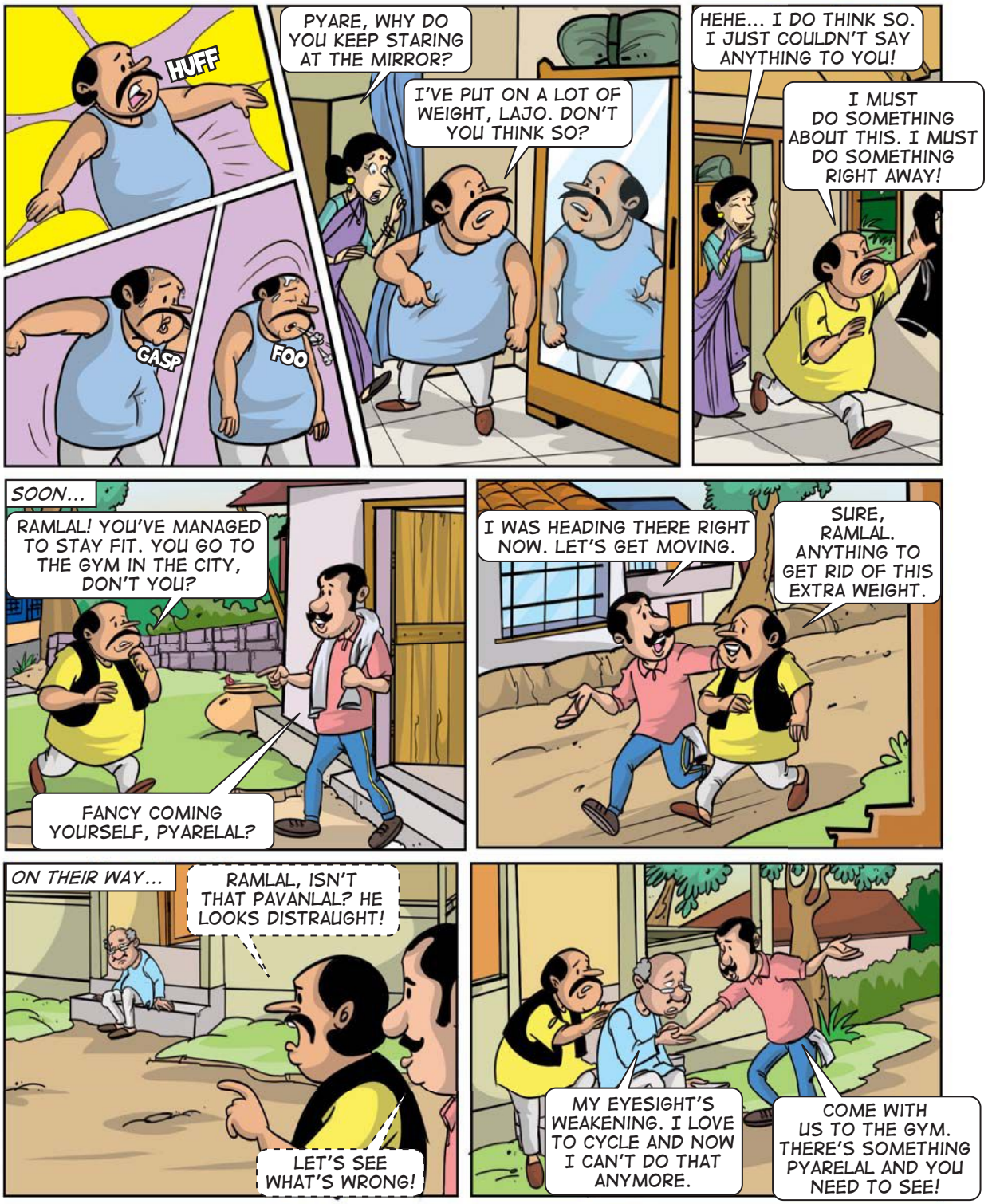

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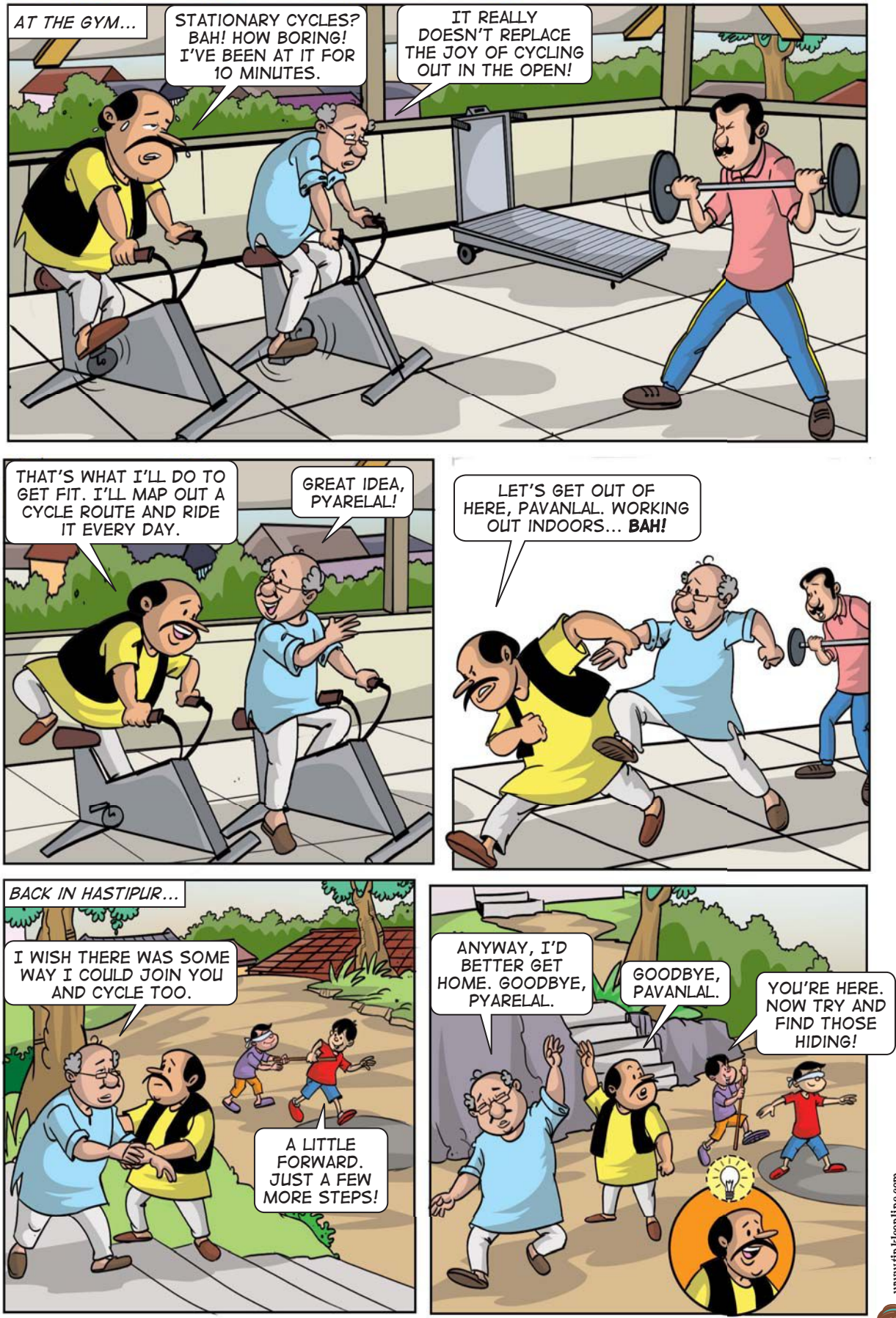

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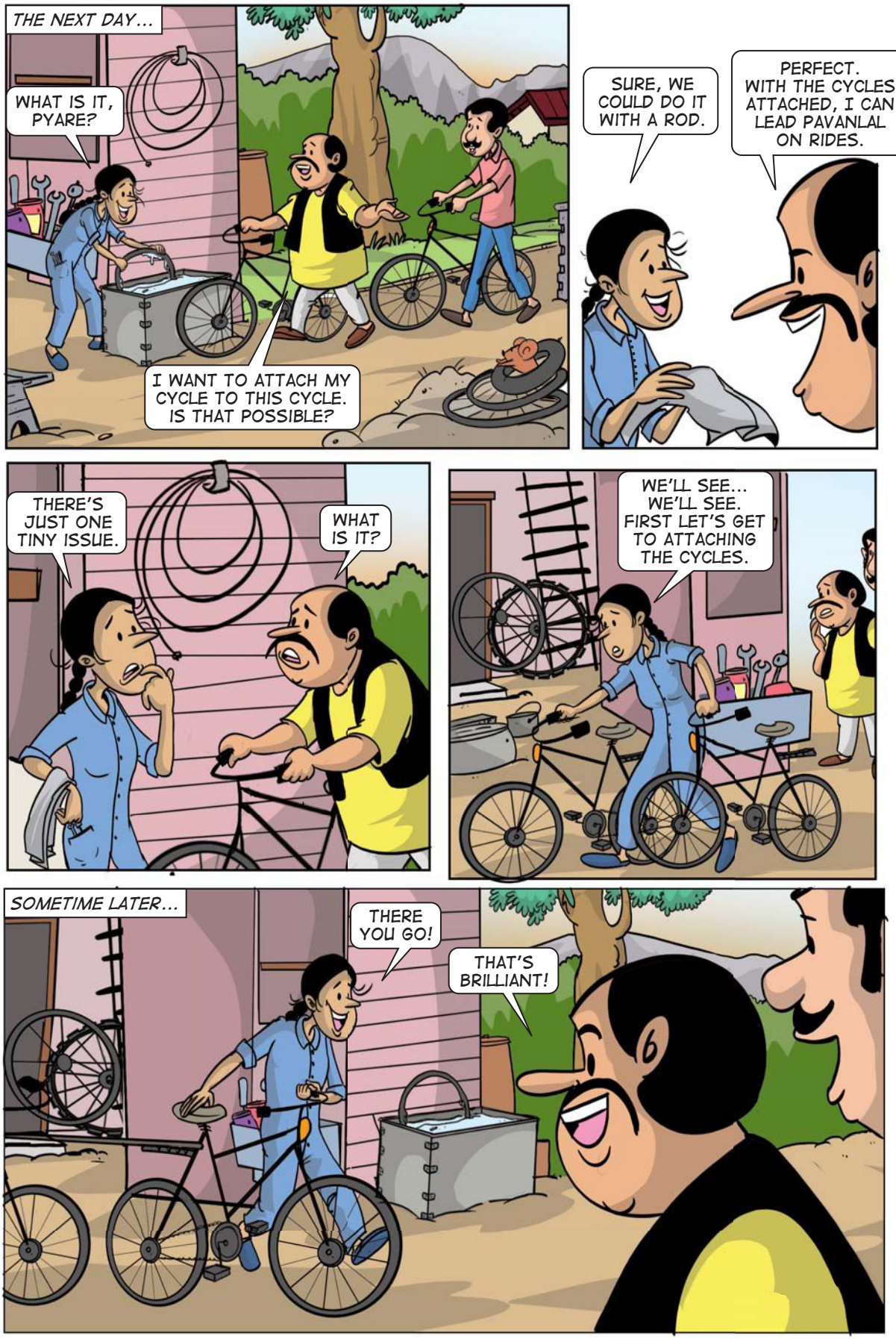

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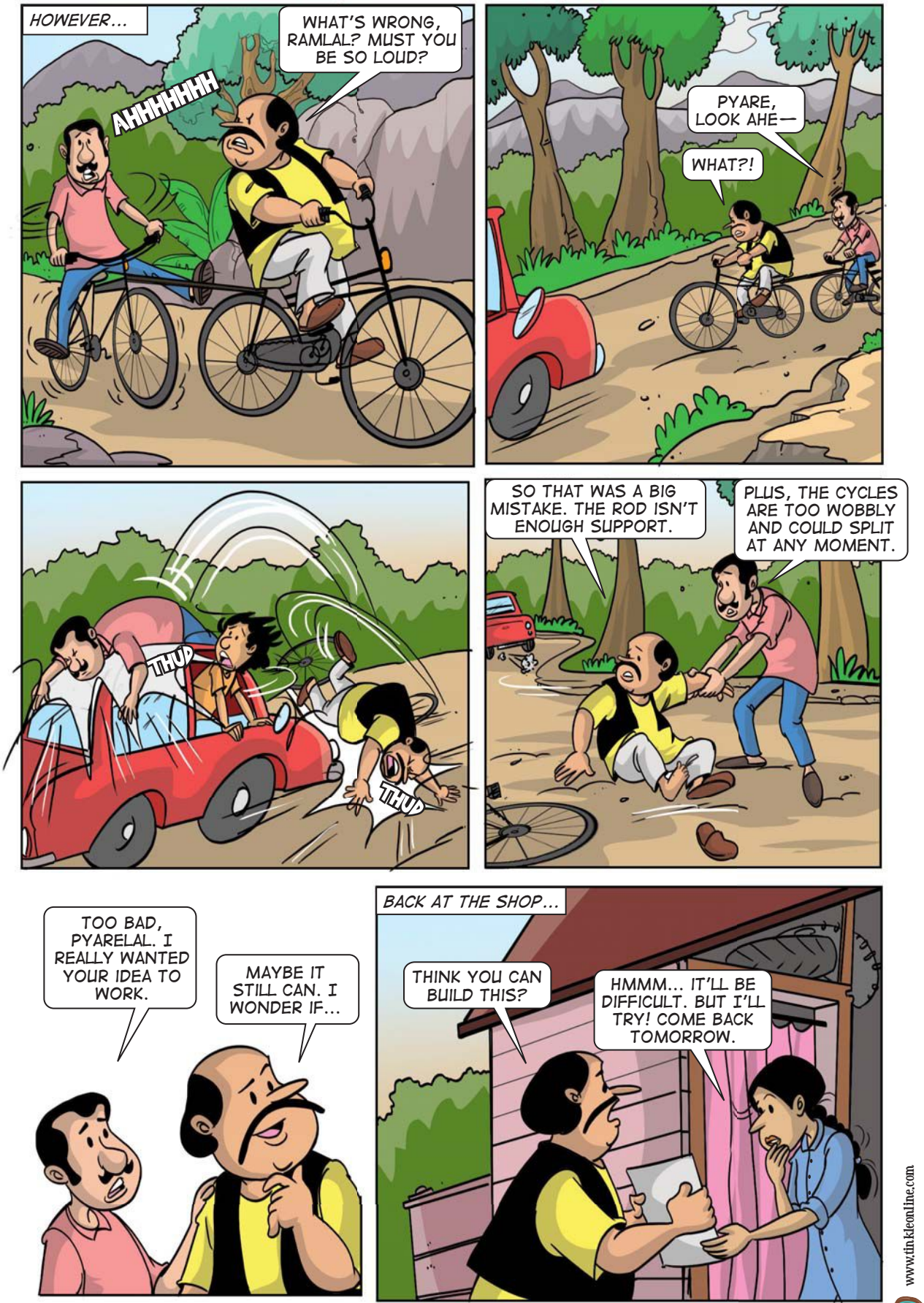

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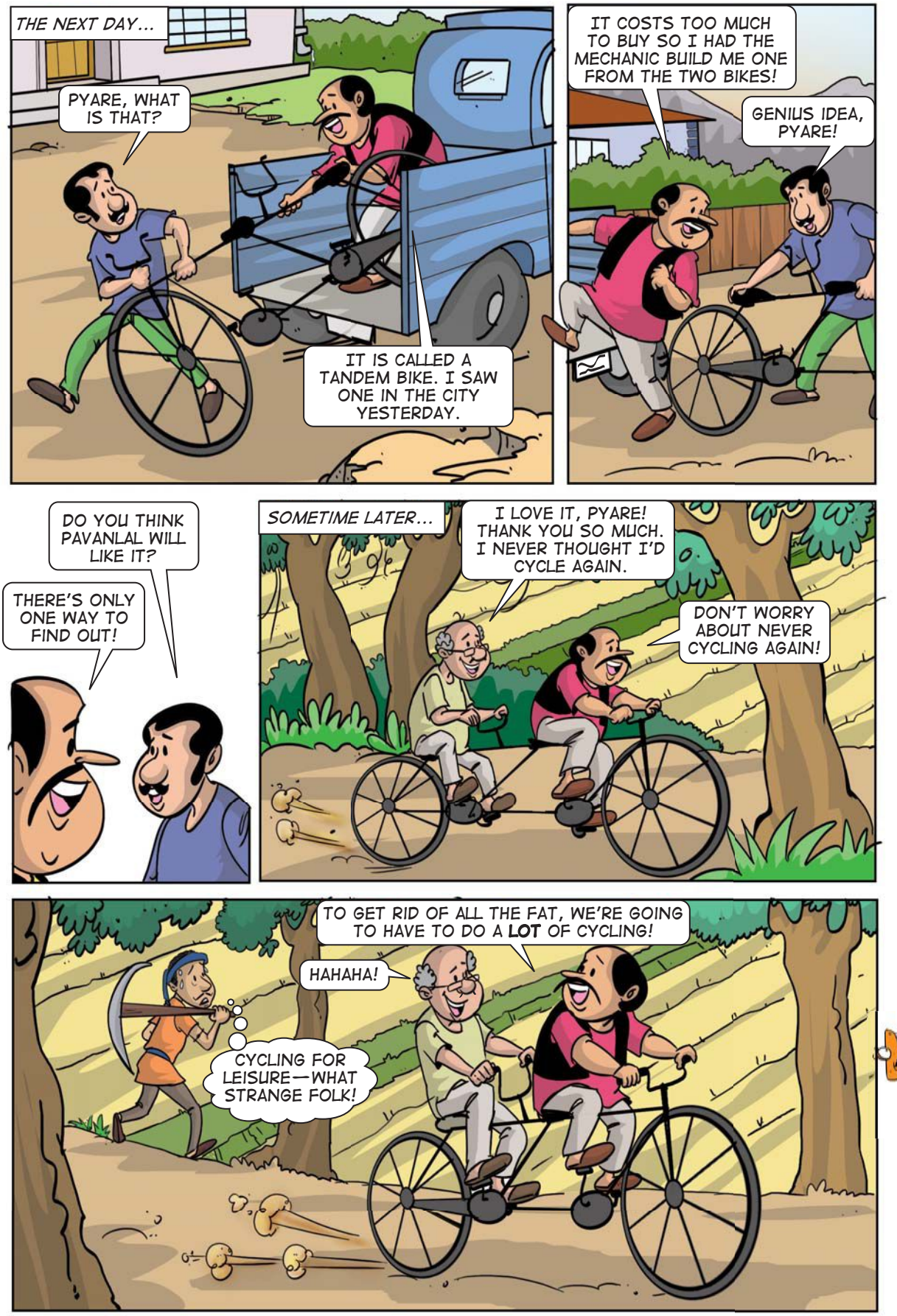

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It Happened to Me

Track Walk

One afternoon, my friends and I decided to take the train back home from school. But when we reached the station, we found that the trains were not running that day. One of my friends suggested that we walk along the railway tracks to avoid traffic. The idea was thrilling, so we started walking. We enjoyed the aerial view of the city and the adventure of crossing some bridges. While we were looking over one bridge an engine passed on the track right next to the one we were walking on! We were petrified and started walking faster. We swore to never take such a risk walking on tracks again.

—**Visesh Vasudevan,** *Chennai*

Tree in Me

One day while eating a slice of watermelon I accidentally swallowed a few seeds. My sister very seriously told me that a tree would grow out of my stomach! I was frightened and started crying. I wouldn't even listen to my parents. I only calmed down when I was given some medicine which they said would stop the tree from growing. After that day I didn't eat watermelon for quite some time out of fear!

—**Aysha Shamsudheen**, *Riyadh, Saudi Arabia*

Prank Gone Smelly

I once accompanied my mother to the market. I soon got bored of waiting for her to finish bargaining with the vendors, so I decided to play a prank on her. I hid behind her and moved as she did. When she looked around for me, I managed to stay out of her eyesight. She panicked and started calling out to me. That's when she took a sudden full turn, and I tried to keep up by taking a quick side step to hide. That step not only landed me in direct view of my mother but also in... dog dung! Though my mother found me out, I continued to hide my face out of embarrassment!

—**Gungun Shukla**, *New Delhi*

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Rhythm & Hues

Beauty

Beauty is seen in a mother's eyes.
Beauty is seeing the Sun rise.
Honeybees sucking nectar from flowers,
Is real beauty that nature showers.
Beauty is not the appearance outside,
But what a person is from inside.
Real beauty lies within one,
Making them shine bright like the Sun.

—Shreya Jagdish
12 years, Mysuru, Karnataka

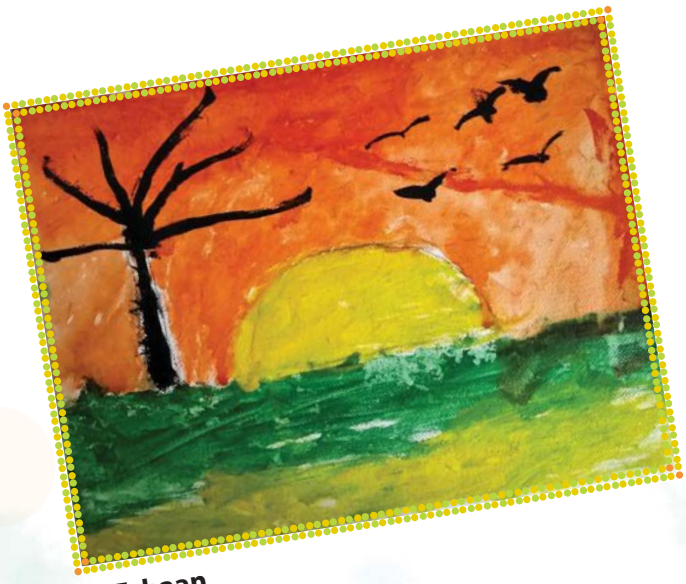
—Shreejayinee Sinha
12 years, Kolkata

—C. S. Sai Nirupama
10 years, Hyderabad

Friendship

I was walking alone,
No one beside me.
I was sitting alone,
Before you found me.
Friendship took me up.
Thank you, Friendship.
I have been searching
for you for a while,
Now here you stay
beside me.

—Felpuia
10 years



—Eshaan
6 years

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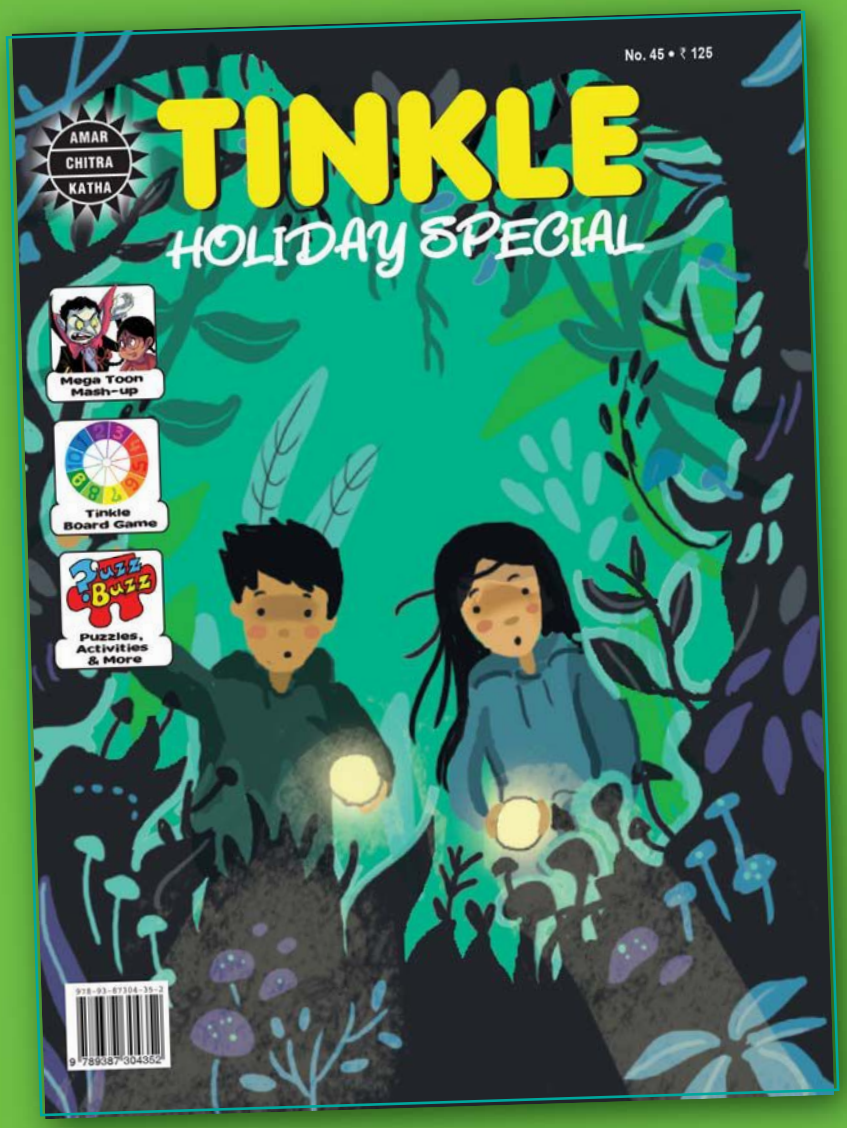

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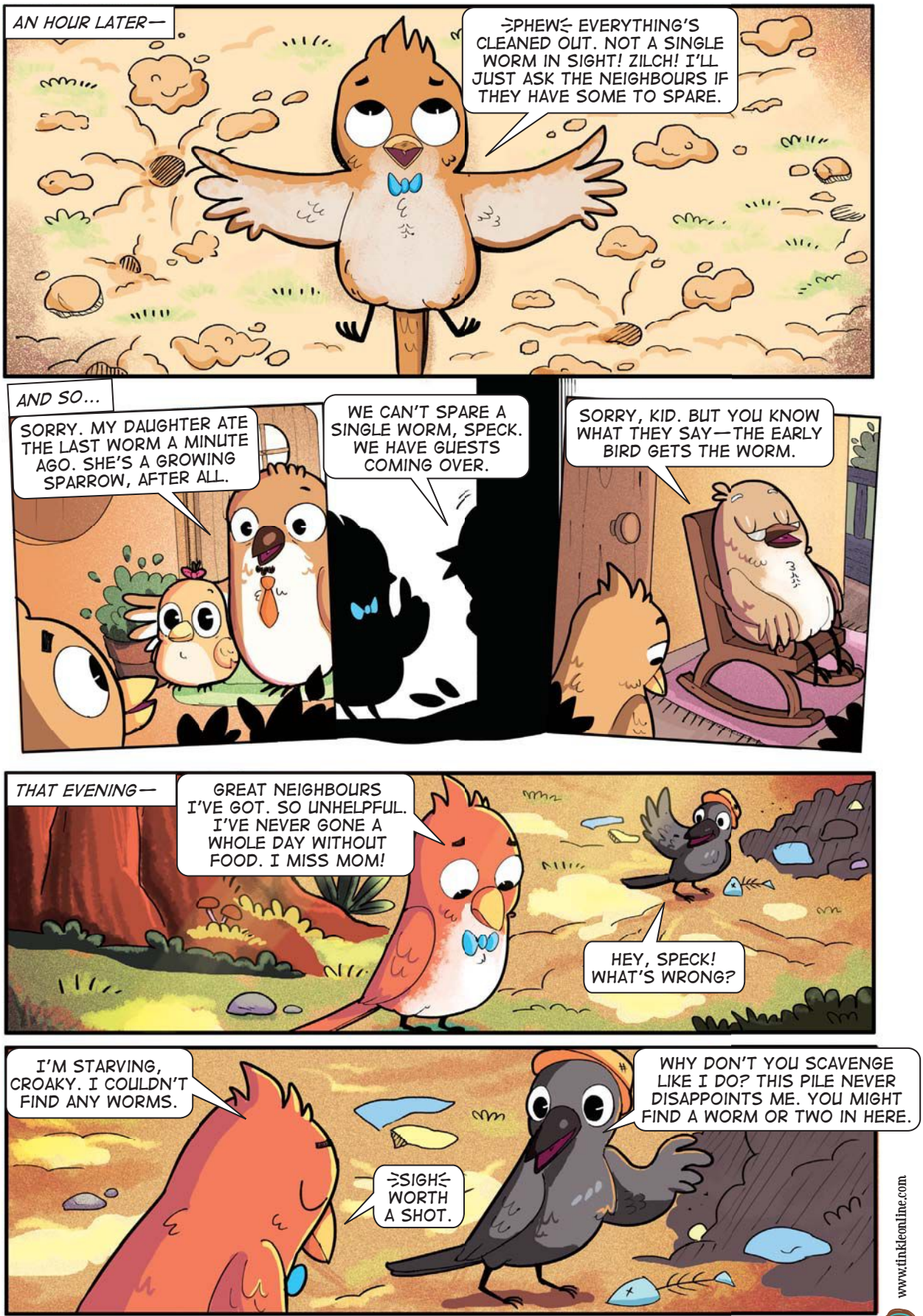

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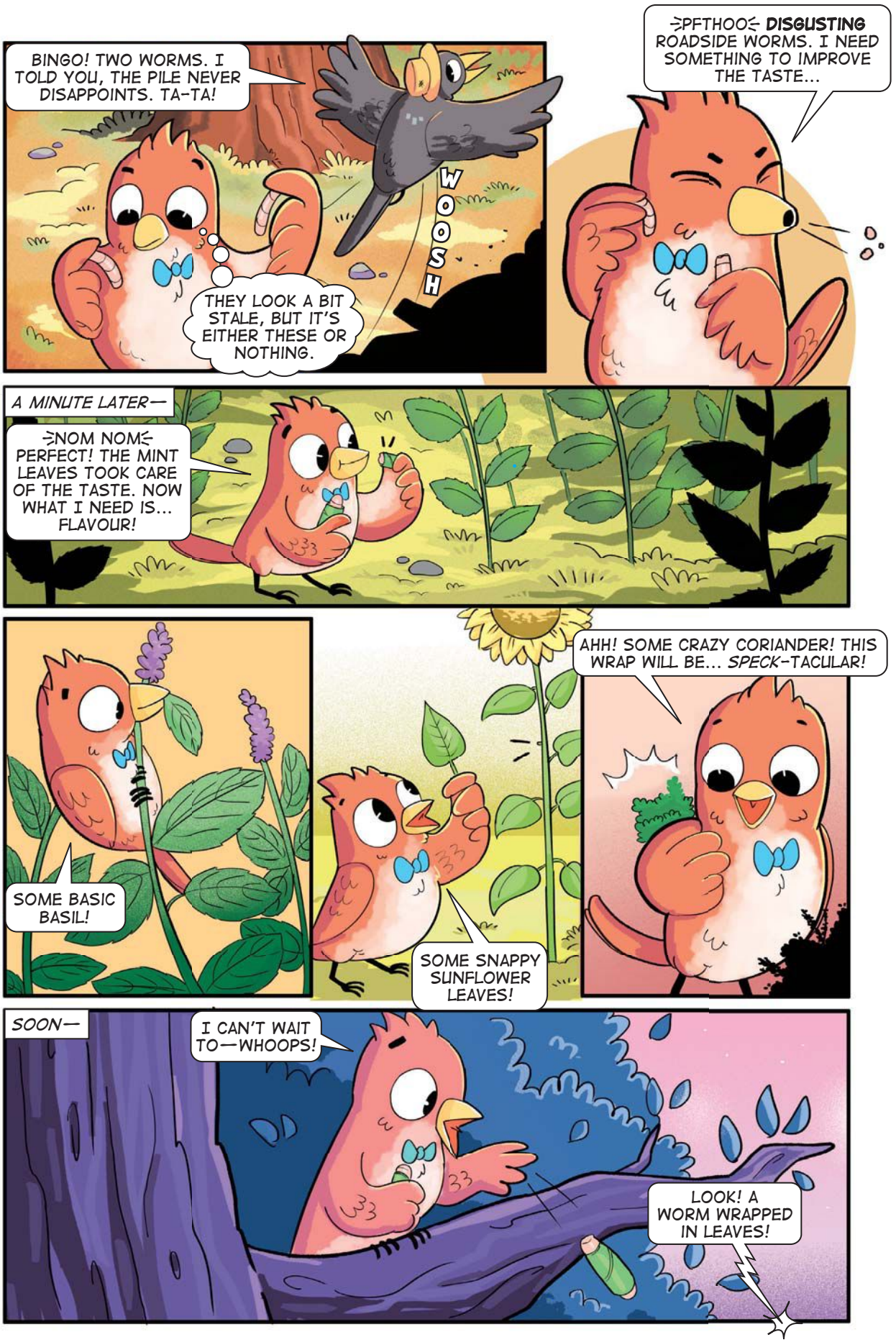

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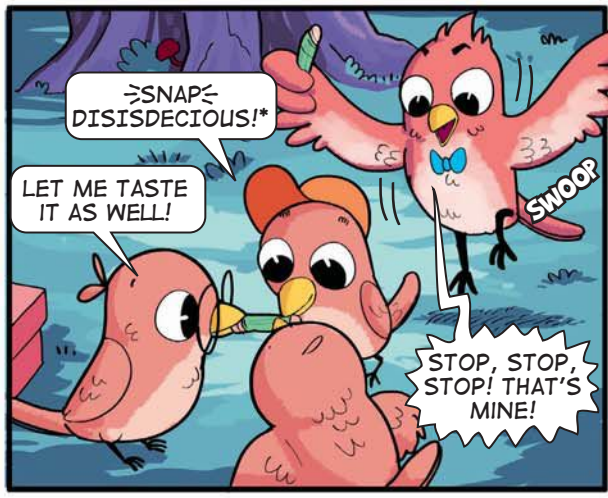
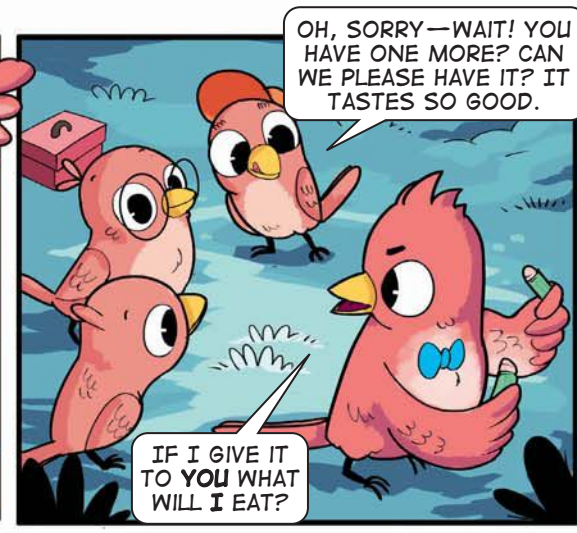
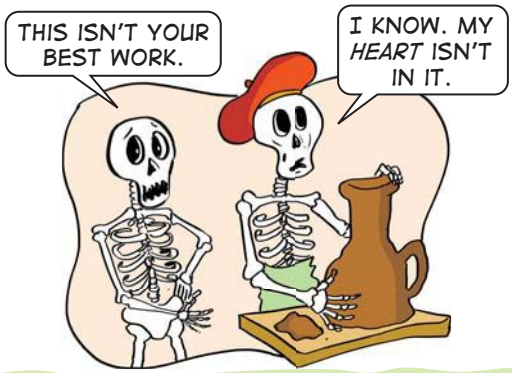




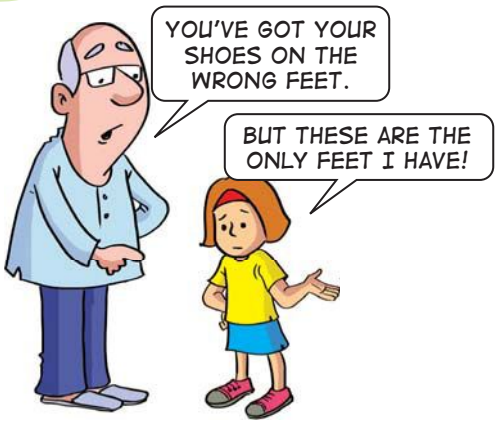
*MUFFLE-SPEAK FOR 'THIS IS DELICIOUS!'

FUN-A-THON!

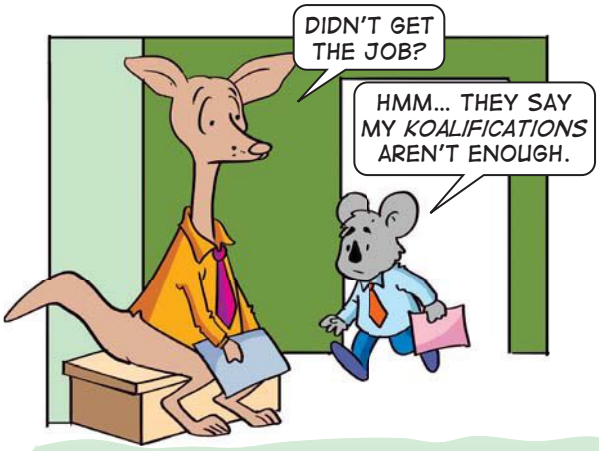
HERE ARE SOME PUNS AND RIDDLES FOR YOU. HAVE A LAUGH AND DON'T FORGET TO TICKLE YOUR FRIENDS SILLY WITH THESE TOO!



Q: Why did the girl spread peanut butter on the road?
A: To go with the traffic *jam*!



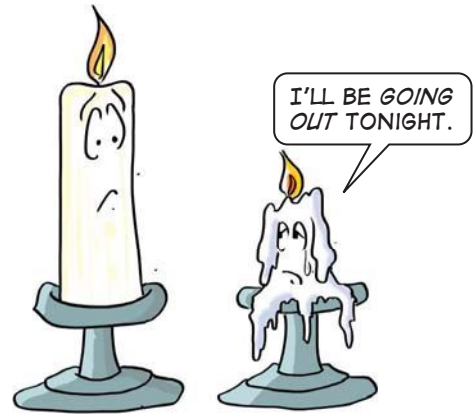
Q: What happened to the dog that swallowed a firefly?
A: It barked with de-*light*!



Q: What would you get if you spilled orange soda on a blue tablecloth?
A: A wet tablecloth (and a scolding from your mom)!

Q: How is a cat like a coin?
A: It has a *head* on one side and a *tail* on the other!

Q: What is in the middle of a jellyfish?
A: Its *jelly* button.



Q: What is a forum?
A: Two-um plus two-um.

Q: Where do you find squirrels?
A: Wherever you lost them!

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A FURRY STORY

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK DAY
2nd April

On the occasion of International Children's Book Day on 2 April, Mo has to write an essay about classics which revolve around animals. But she doesn't have enough time to read many books! Luckily, her older sister, Mynah, is more than willing to help. And Sam thinks Mynah herself needs help! Will Mo get the essay done, or will Mynah and Sam just end up getting into another argument?

I wish I could make the essay all about *Charlotte's Web*! 😍 That is certainly a book all children would enjoy. 🙂

Why do you like that book so much, Mo? 🤓

Doesn't the idea of talking animals excite you, Sam? 🤓 This book can even make you like spiders! 😁 The adventures of Fern (the little girl in the book) and Wilbur (the piglet) are so fascinating!

Hmm... but your essay can't be just about *Charlotte's Web*! Why not have Wilbur share some limelight with *Black Beauty*? 🐎

Of course. Horses are nice too. 🙂

That is true. But that's not all. 🙂 This book makes you feel like you're the horse while going through its life. Besides, with a horse there isn't any rolling around in mud involved. 😁

Let's exit the barn now, okay? 🙄 When it comes to animal stories, *Marley and Me* certainly takes the cake! It's a hilarious account of a goofy Labrador retriever growing up with his human family. 😛

Do you like it so much because you relate so well to being goofy?! 😁

Humph! But really, it's such a sweet story. The book made me feel like Marley was **my** dog. 🙂 That's the whole point of a good book; the more we can see ourselves in the story the more we like it. 🤓

And how do you relate to having a pet dog when you don't have one at all? 😉

😠 Sam, if you must have a pet to enjoy the story of one, then I'd like to meet your horse! 😝 Which you certainly don't have!

Haha! 😁 See Mo, you'd never run out of books to write essays about. 📚❤️

Oh, I have enough for my essay. 🙂 But we can't talk enough about books! I think we should start a club... 😄

A place to discuss our favourite books and learn about more. Now that's my definition of paradise! 😍

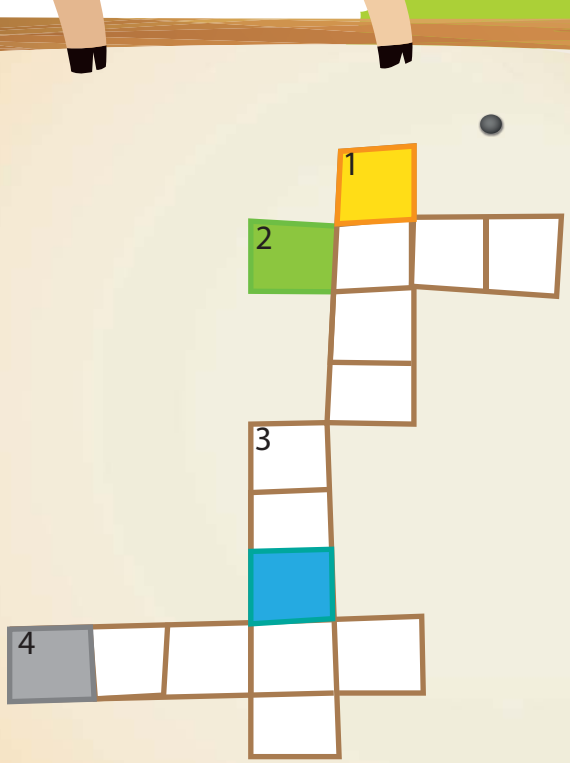
Now this idea will certainly be in my *good books*! 😉

Well, looks like the girls did manage to help Mo with her essay without much of a tiff.
Do you know more books about animals that our Know-It-Alls don't? Email them to Mynah and Sam at tinklemail@ack-media.com with the subject 'One More Furry Story' and flummox both our Know-It-Alls!

TEXT: MAHZBEEN KAYANI
LAYOUT: PRANAY BENDRE

Fodder Vault

You're Sheepo, the ever-hungry sheep. And your stomach is rumbling... again. Alas! The best fodder in the farm has been locked up. To open this door you must crack the secret code hidden in the crossword puzzle. Once you've solved the puzzle, take the alphabets from the coloured boxes and fill them in the boxes of the same colour, above Sheepo. This opens the lock and you can finally enjoy the succulent taste of the best farm-fresh fodder! Get cracking!



Questions for the crossword:

1. A giant fork that loves to collect dead leaves.
2. A structure found on farms where you can keep horses, pigs, fodder and more!
3. Squeaks a lot and makes cats and snakes drool!
4. It's always greener on the other side!

Answer: GRUB

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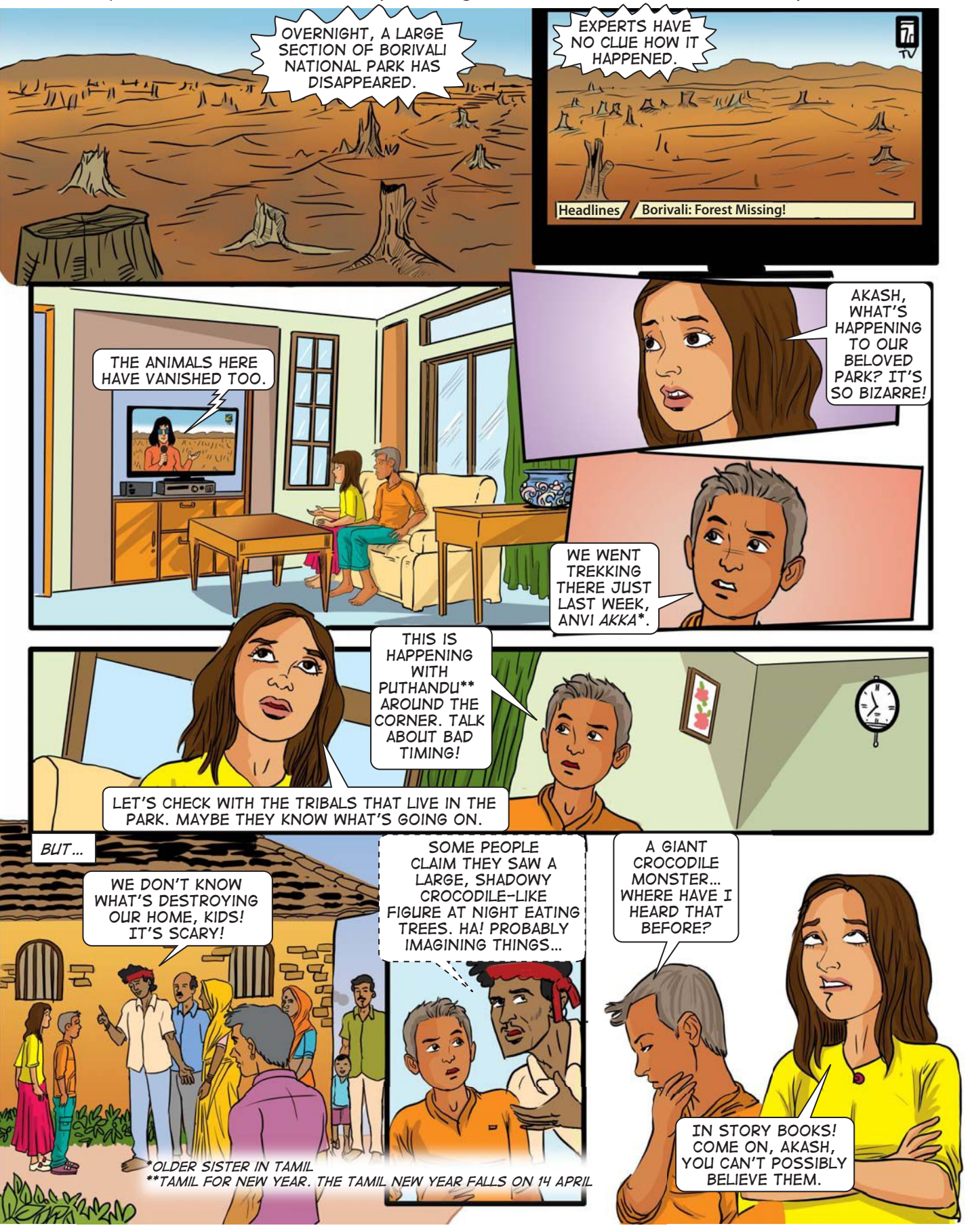

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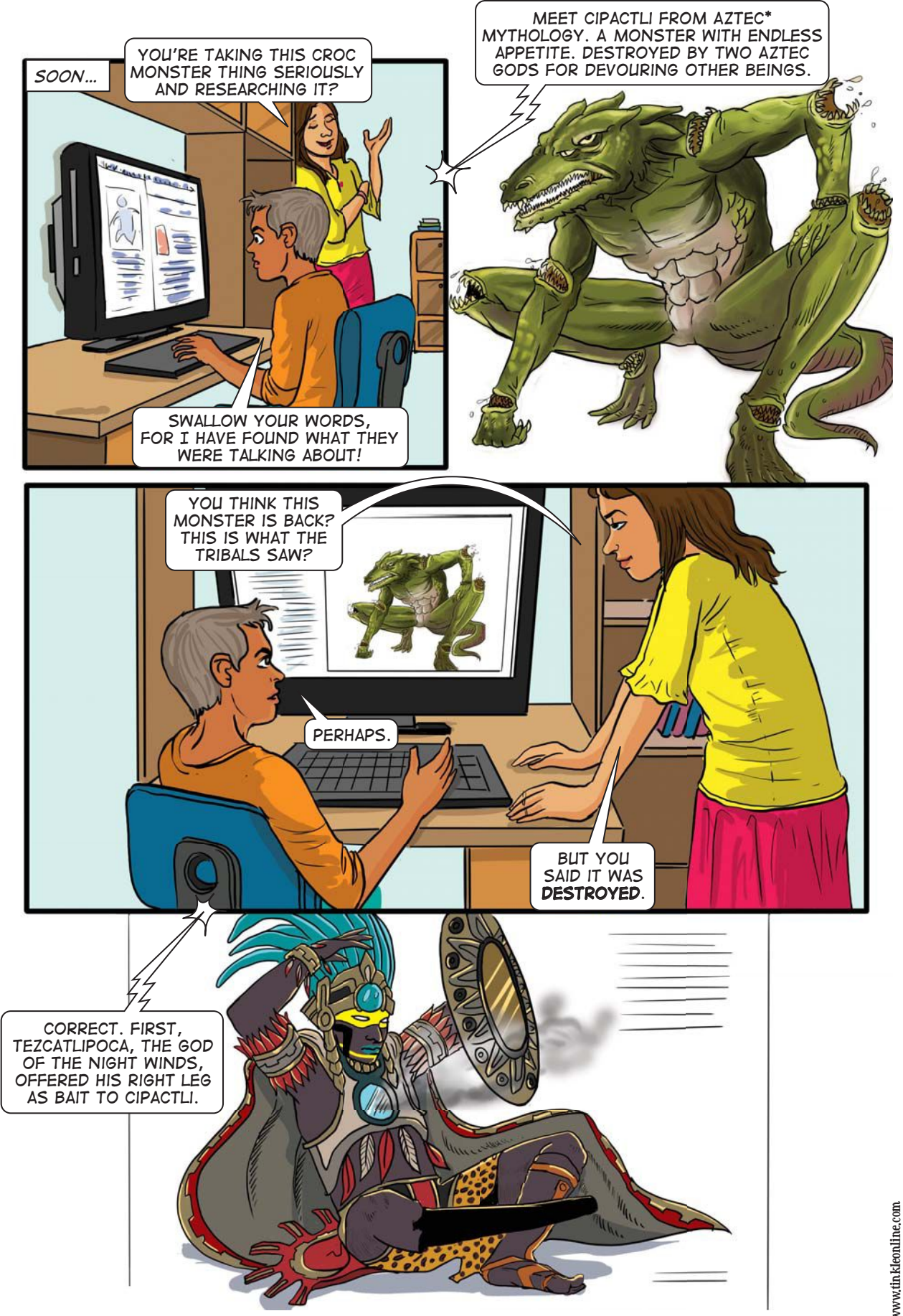
**TAMIL FOR NEW YEAR. THE TAMIL NEW YEAR FALLS ON 14 APRIL



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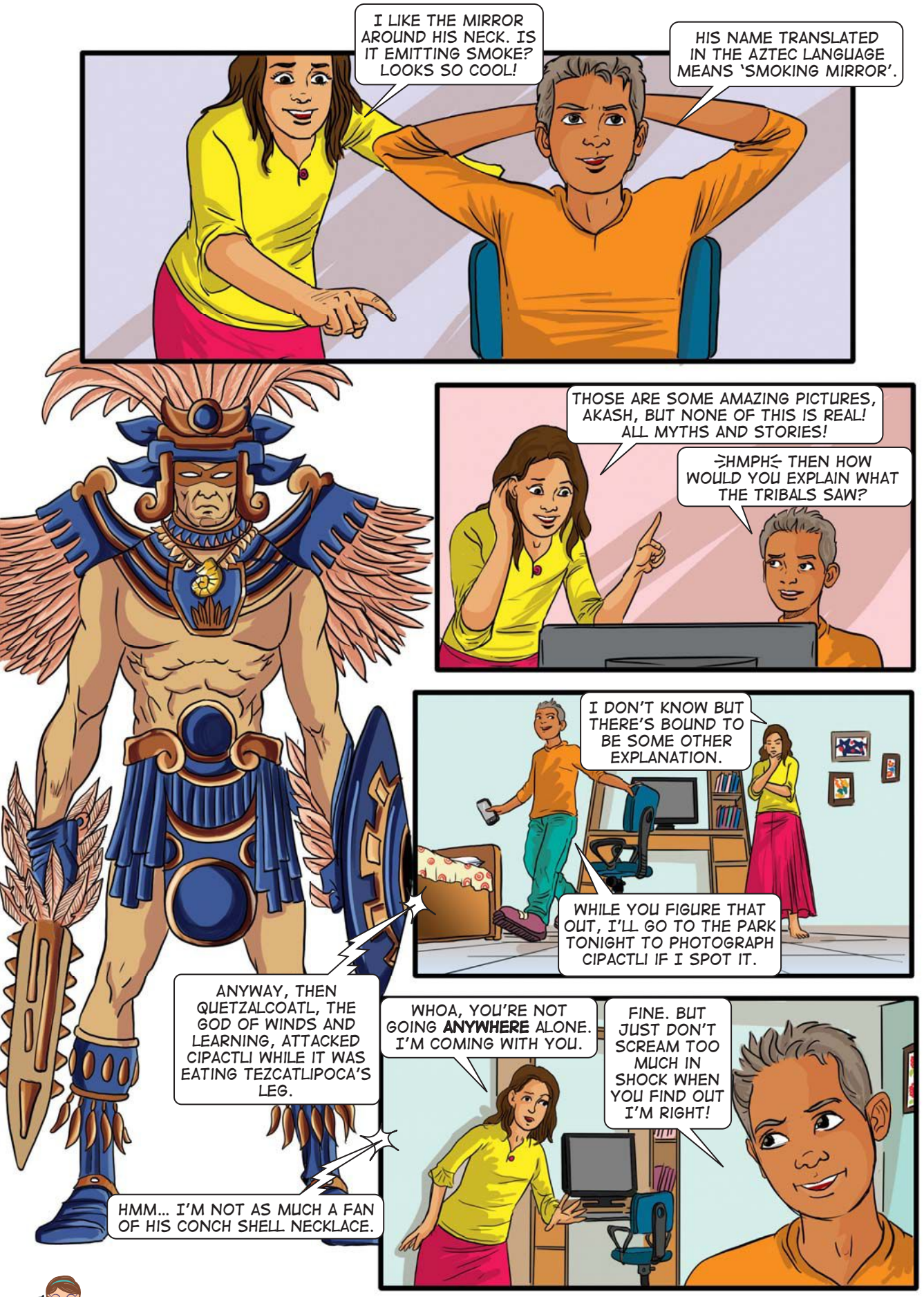

I LIKE THE MIRROR AROUND HIS NECK. IS IT EMITTING SMOKE? LOOKS SO COOL!
HIS NAME TRANSLATED IN THE AZTEC LANGUAGE MEANS 'SMOKING MIRROR'.
THOSE ARE SOME AMAZING PICTURES, AKASH, BUT NONE OF THIS IS REAL! ALL MYTHS AND STORIES!
≥HMPH≤ THEN HOW WOULD YOU EXPLAIN WHAT THE TRIBALS SAW?
I DON'T KNOW BUT THERE'S BOUND TO BE SOME OTHER EXPLANATION.
WHILE YOU FIGURE THAT OUT, I'LL GO TO THE PARK TONIGHT TO PHOTOGRAPH CIPACTLI IF I SPOT IT.
ANYWAY, THEN QUETZALCOATL, THE GOD OF WINDS AND LEARNING, ATTACKED CIPACTLI WHILE IT WAS EATING TEZCATLIPOCA'S LEG.
HMM... I'M NOT AS MUCH A FAN OF HIS CONCH SHELL NECKLACE.
WHOA, YOU'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE ALONE. I'M COMING WITH YOU.
FINE. BUT JUST DON'T SCREAM TOO MUCH IN SHOCK WHEN YOU FIND OUT I'M RIGHT!

THAT NIGHT...
WE'VE BEEN HERE FOR AN HOUR, AKASH. NO SIGN OF YOUR AZTEC MONSTER YET.
PATIENCE, DEAR SISTER.
CRACK
WHAT'S THAT?!
CRUNCH
WELL, LET'S GO CLOSER AND TAKE A PICTURE.
GRRR
OH MY GOODNESS! LOOK, AKKA!
IS THAT... ≥GULP≤ CIPACTLI? OR ARE WE BOTH IMAGINING THE SAME THING?
NOW WHAT'S THAT?
A JAGUAR!
GRRR
HISSSSS
AKAAAASH! A SNAKE IS COMING FOR US!
ARE ANVI AND AKASH DONE FOR? THEN WHO WILL STOP CIPACTLI THE MONSTER? CHECK OUT THE NEXT ISSUE OF TINKLE TO FIND OUT!

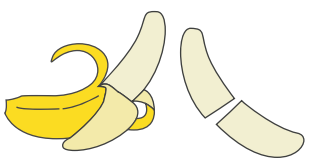
Banana Popirinos

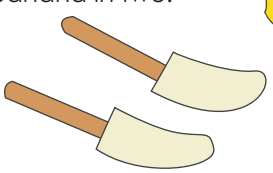
You feel like eating something sweet but your parents won't let you eat unhealthy desserts? Don't you worry, because we have the answer to this problem. Behold, banana popirinos! With a few easy steps, convert fruits into delicious fruit pops!

What You Need:

What To Do:

1 Peel and slice the banana in two.

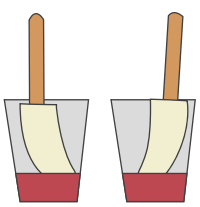




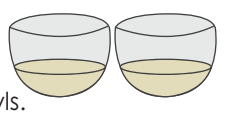
Fix an ice cream stick at the bottom of each banana half.

2 With an adult's help, use the mixer grinder and make a paste of half the strawberries you have.

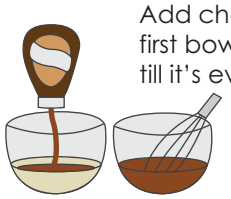
3 Pour this paste into the glass containers and place half the banana in each.



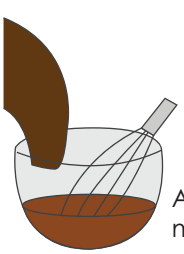
4 Divide the vanilla ice cream almost equally into two bowls.



Add chocolate syrup in the first bowl and whisk the mixture till it's evenly brown.

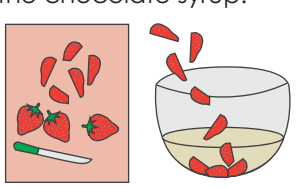


5 Take an adult's help and once again grind the dates together along with a tablespoon of water to make a thick paste.

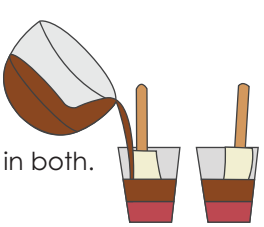


Add this to the chocolate-vanilla mixture and whisk.

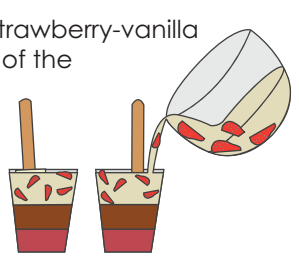
6 Next, ask an adult to chop the remainder of the strawberries. Add these strawberries to the bowl of vanilla ice cream **without** the chocolate syrup.



7 Holding the banana halves straight in the containers, pour the chocolate-date-vanilla mix in both. Freeze this for 10 minutes.



8 Now add the strawberry-vanilla mixture on top of the chocolate-dates mixture. Freeze this for an hour and then pull the popirinos out of the glasses!



You are all set to enjoy the fruity goodness of banana popirinos!

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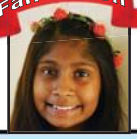

SUPPANDI: DON'T WASTE

Story	Script	Pencils & Inks	Colours	Letters
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TEXT: MAHZBEEN KAYANI ILLUSTRATIONS: PRIYA PANICKER LAYOUT: PRANAY BENDRE

A Snake's Journey

Erumeli, Kerala

When travelling by public transport it's best to follow safety instructions. One of them is to keep an eye out for unattended baggage. Passengers aboard the Karaikkal-Kottayam Express recently learnt the importance of this warning.

After the train left Ernakulam South Station, some passengers noticed a backpack on an empty seat. They got suspicious when it kept moving on its own. The passengers alerted security officials at Kottayam station. The owner of the bag, 29-year-old Jeejo George, had actually forgotten the bag when he'd gotten off at Ernakulam. He later came back for his backpack. But the security officials had already gotten to the bag!

Everyone was (unpleasantly) surprised to discover a live python inside the bag! The snake had been illegally caught and had travelled over 150 km before being discovered.

Following the discovery of the snake, George tried to hide in his village. However, finding him was easy since one only had to follow the address on his identity card that he'd forgotten inside the bag. He may be skilled at catching snakes but he certainly wouldn't win any memory games!

Fingertip Calling

Hong Kong

Technology has given us cordless phones, cell phones, headphones and smartwatches. Now Kevin Wong, CEO of Origami Labs, has added the smart ring to this list.

The user just has to wear a finger ring which is connected using Bluetooth to the user's smartphone. Once the ring is worn the wearer must simply touch the fingertip on a spot close to the earlobe to answer phone calls, listen to music and do much more.

The smart ring uses bone conduction technology. This means, sounds from a connected device, such as a smartphone, are directly transmitted to your inner ear through the bones of the skull. Coded sound waves are received through the Bluetooth connection and the ring converts them into vibrations. These vibrations can be received directly by the inner ear.

So bid farewell to the fear of dropping your phone because it's jammed between your ear and shoulder!

Premier of the Prime

Tennessee, USA

Mathematics may be a favourite subject for many, but it is the stuff of nightmares for others. To add to its charms (or terrors) we bring to you: M77232917. This not-so-catchy name is of the largest prime number* ever! This number is 23,249,425 digits long (bet you didn't even read the number ☺).

Jonathan Pace, an electrical engineer from Tennessee, discovered it by simply multiplying 77,232,917 by 77,232,917 and subtracting 1 from the answer. Ouch.

Four different computers took between 34 and 82 hours to verify this calculation. Meanwhile Jonathan's original calculation took six days of non-stop computation**! So rest for the moment; M77232917 won't debut in your maths book any time soon.

** A number divisible only by itself and one*
***The action of mathematical calculation (in this case, using a computer)*

Meet Buchki, an eight year old who can see ghosts (something no one else knows!). Except... she's scared of them! Thankfully, she has her Meyn Dadu (an ancestor, also a ghost!); her know-it-all brother, Cyrus and her grandma, Didu to help her deal with these hooligans of Boodanga, aka Booligans!

Created by: Paroma Bose **Original Character Design:** Avik Kumar Maitra

Buchki & the Booligans

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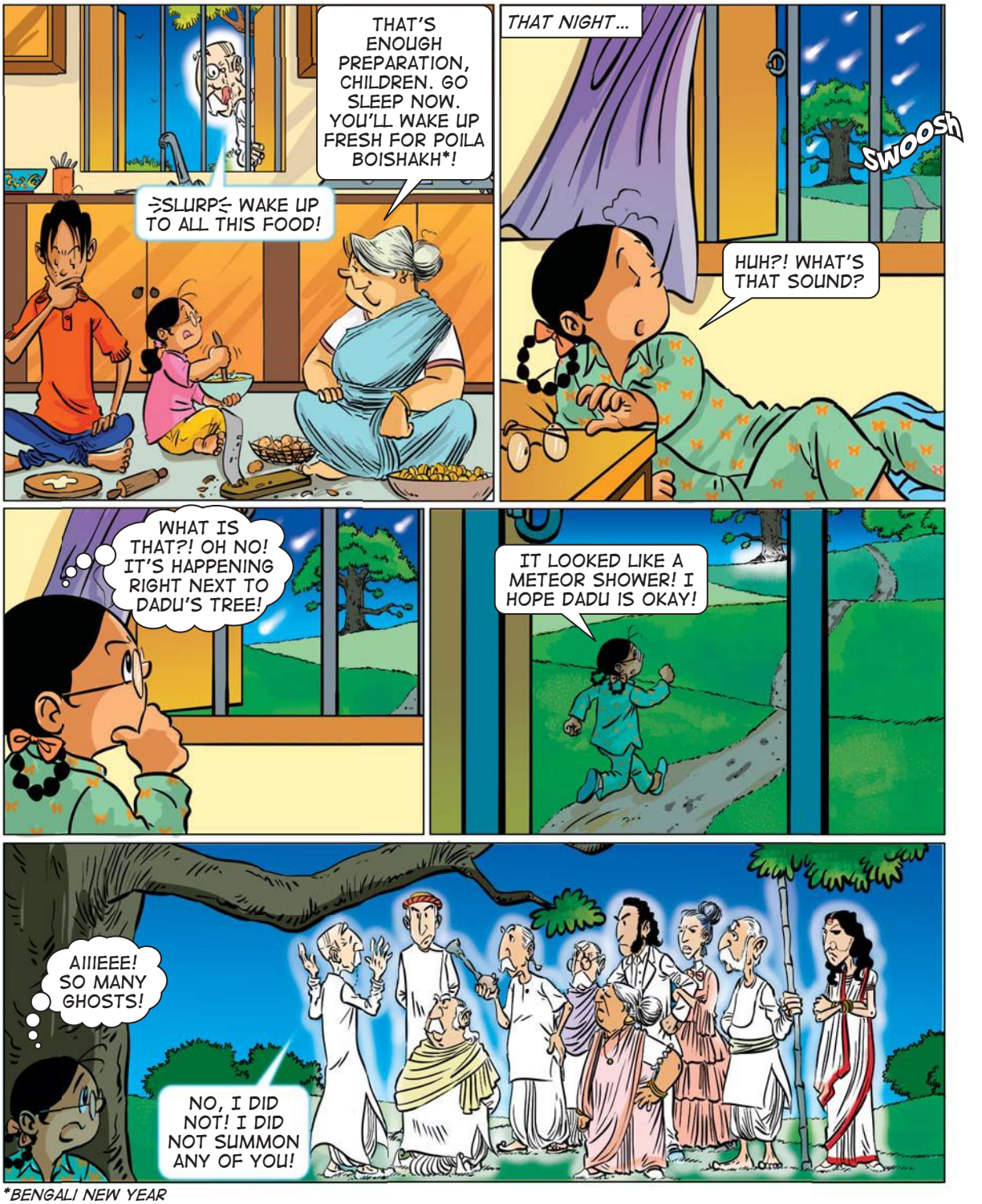

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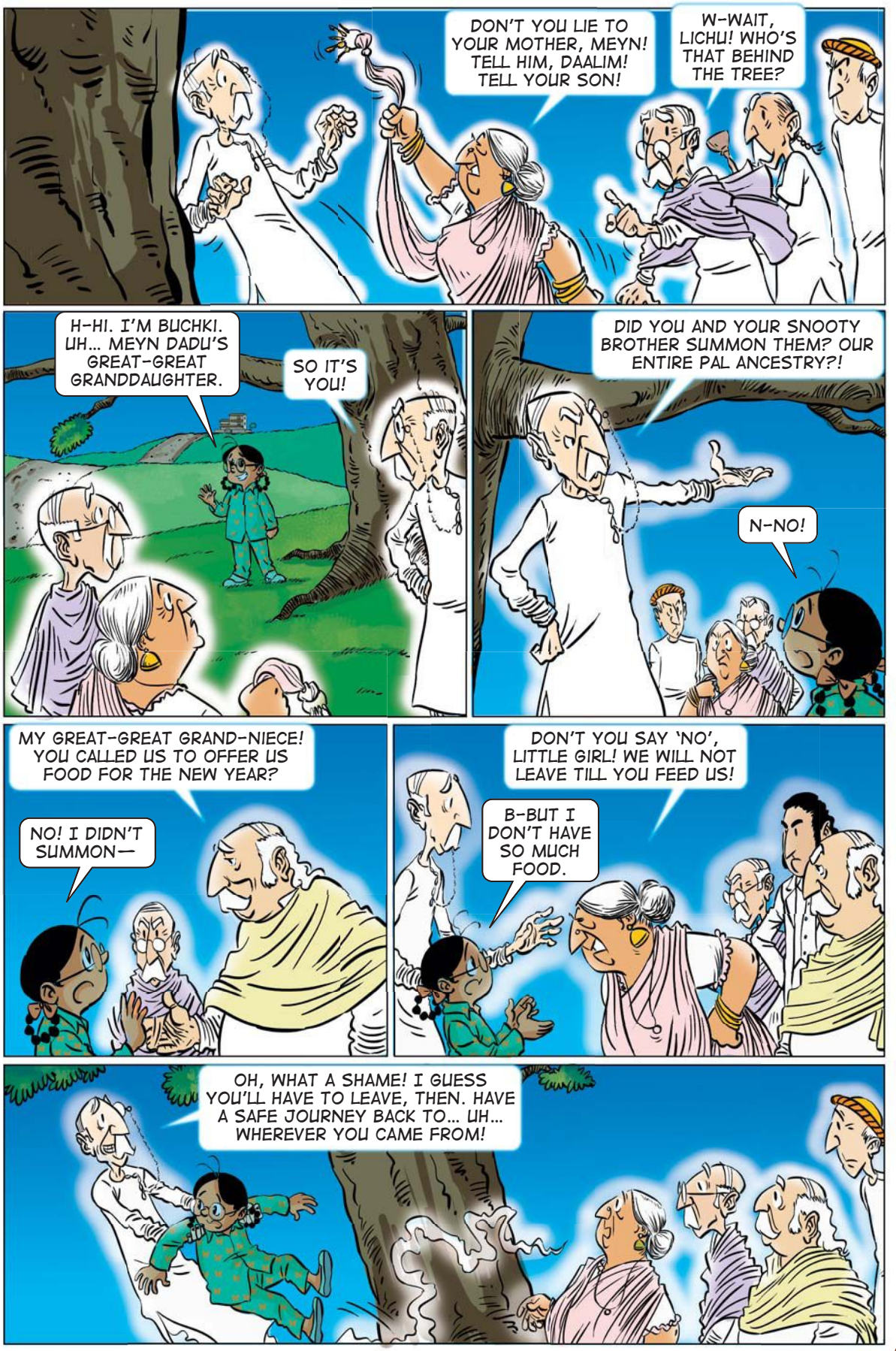

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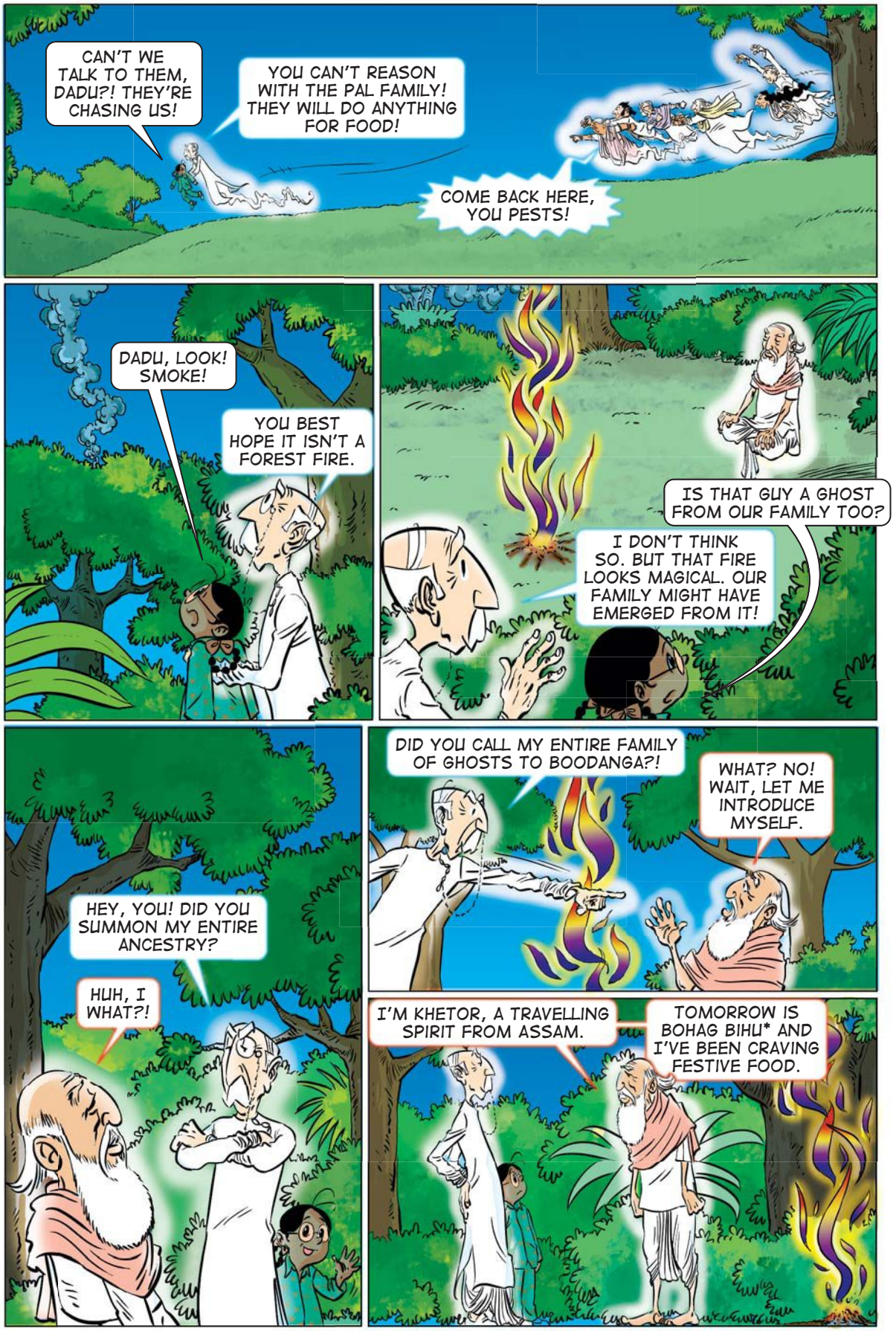

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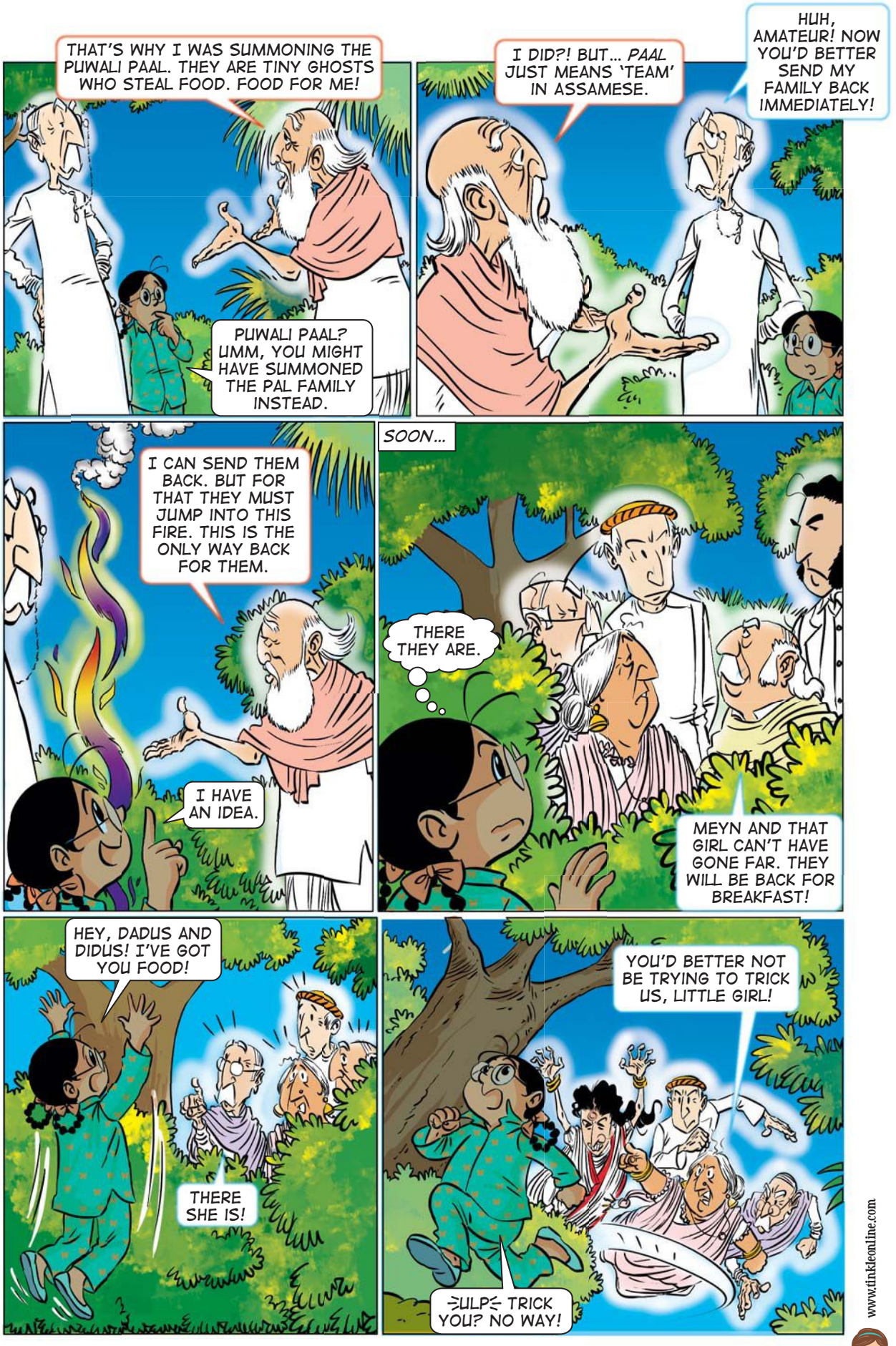

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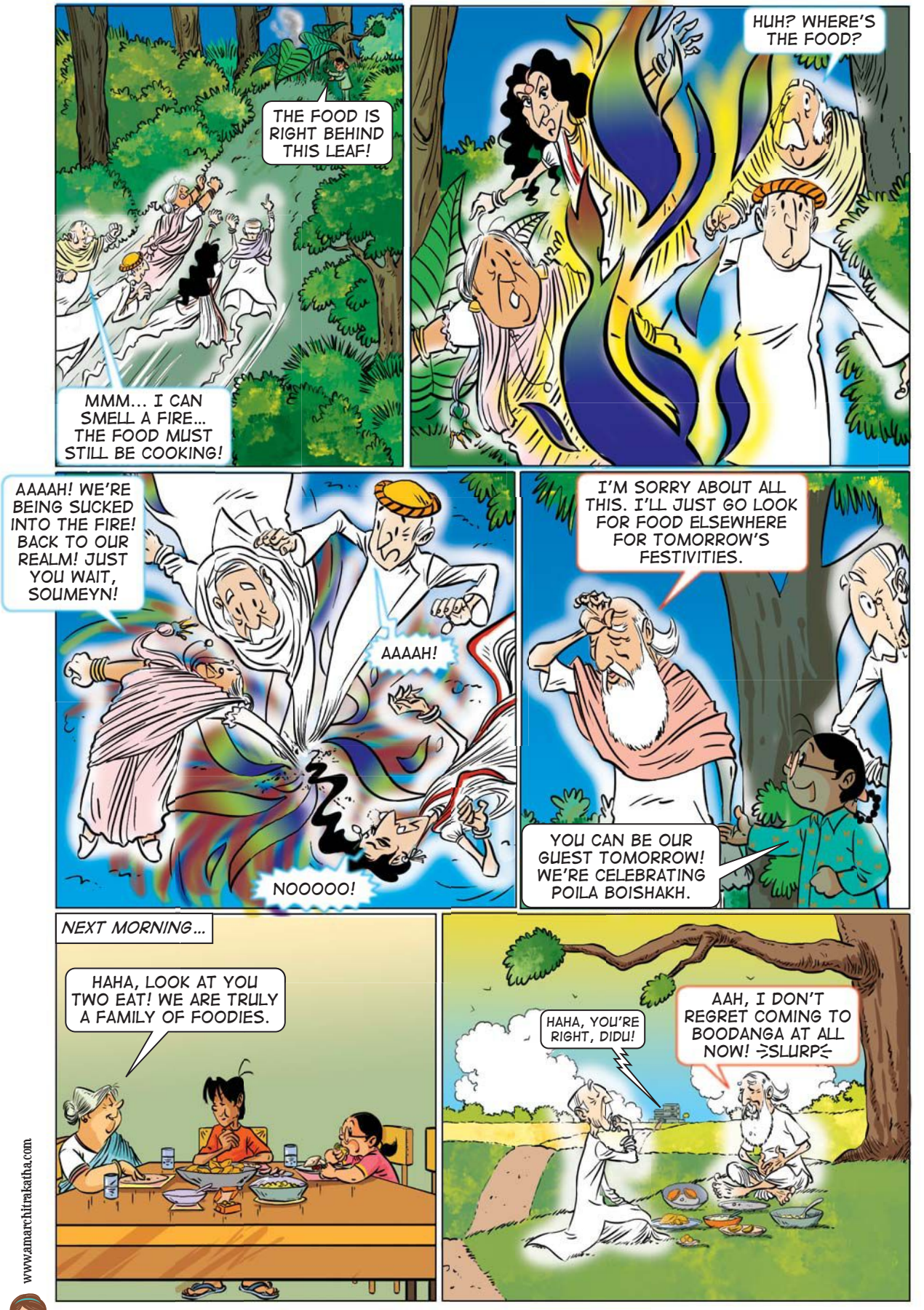

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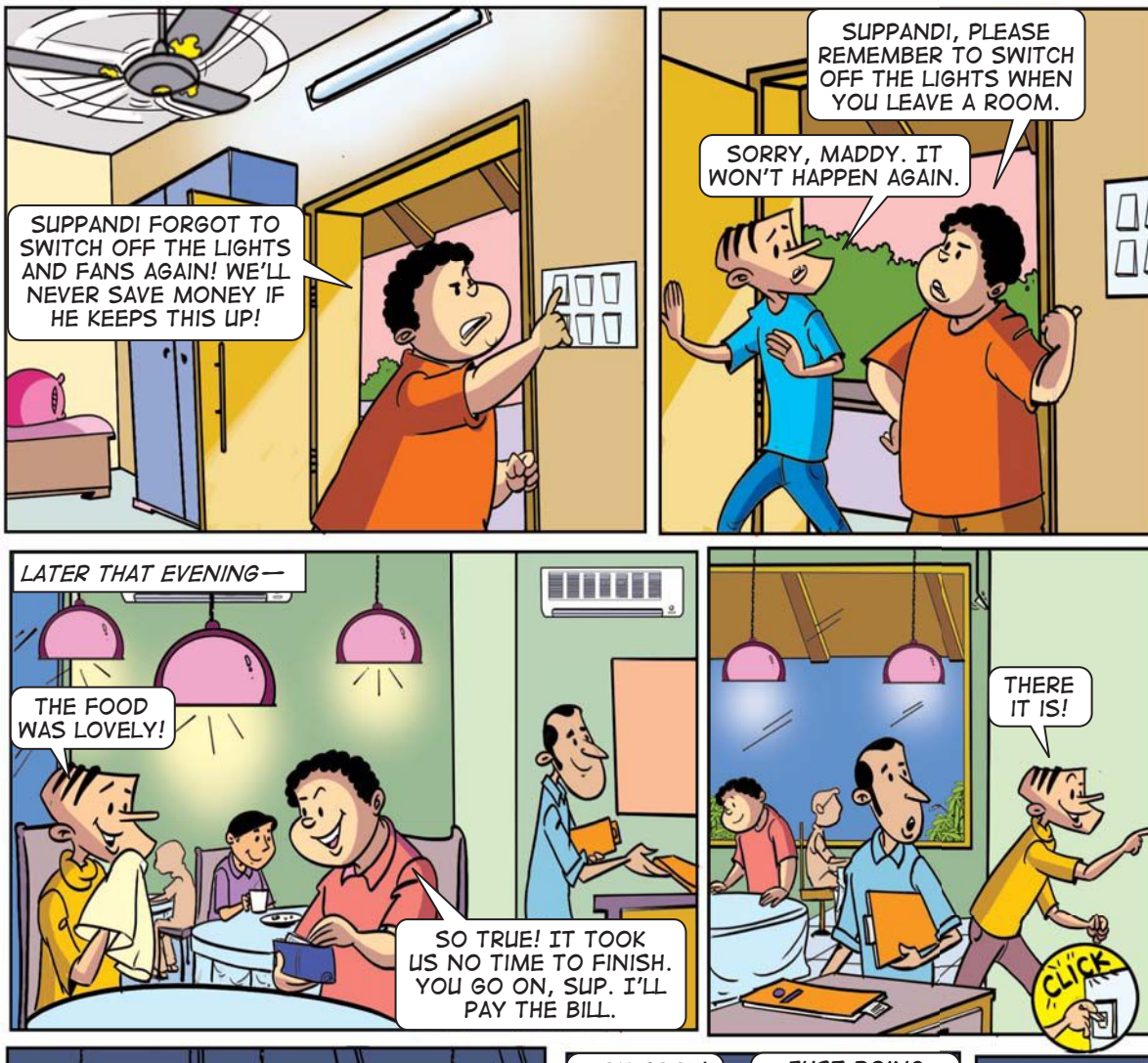

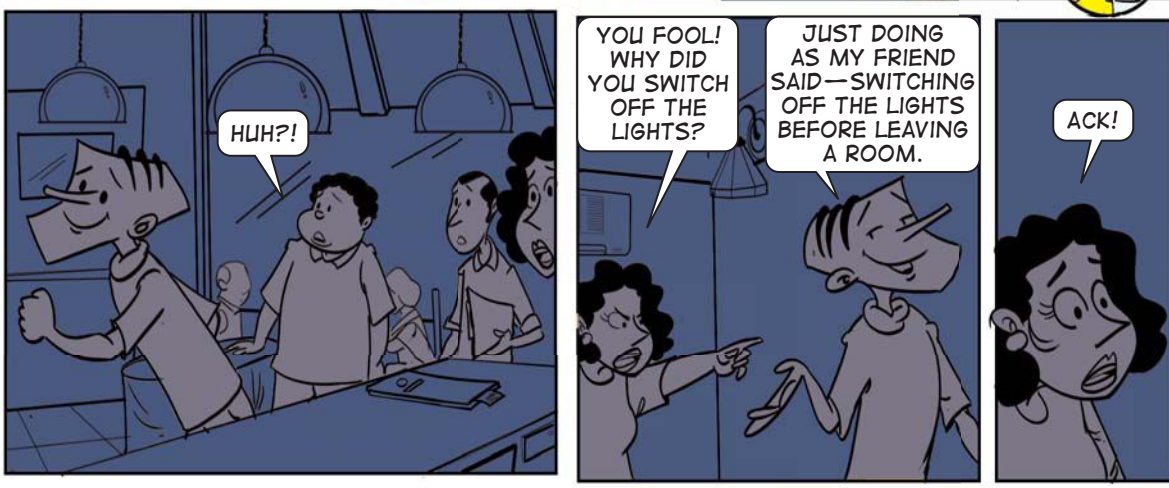

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Mapui Kawlim's dad's cutting-edge gadgets have turned her from an ordinary girl to an extraordinary superhero, WingStar. But having powerful fists and the ability to fly means she is on demand ALL the time! Does she want that? There's the question!

Created By: Sean D'mello **Original Character Design:** Vineet Nair

WingStar
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HUH? WHAT WAS THAT? DID SOMETHING FALL OFF MY SUIT?!

BANG

SCREECH

DACOITS! TIME TO END THIS NONSENSE.

LOOK, SOMETHING'S FLYING TOWARDS US. **SHOOT!**

BANG

BANG

BANG

BANG

UH-OH. THE BULLETS ARE COMING IN TOO FAST. THE SHIELD WON'T ACTIVATE AT THIS SPEED.

BANG

WHOOOSH

BANG

I NEED TO GET OUT OF THE LINE OF FIRE.

THIS TREE SHOULD DO FOR COVER. WHAT NOW?

IT'S GONE. WE CHASED IT AWAY!

THUD

NEED SOME HELP, WINGSTAR?

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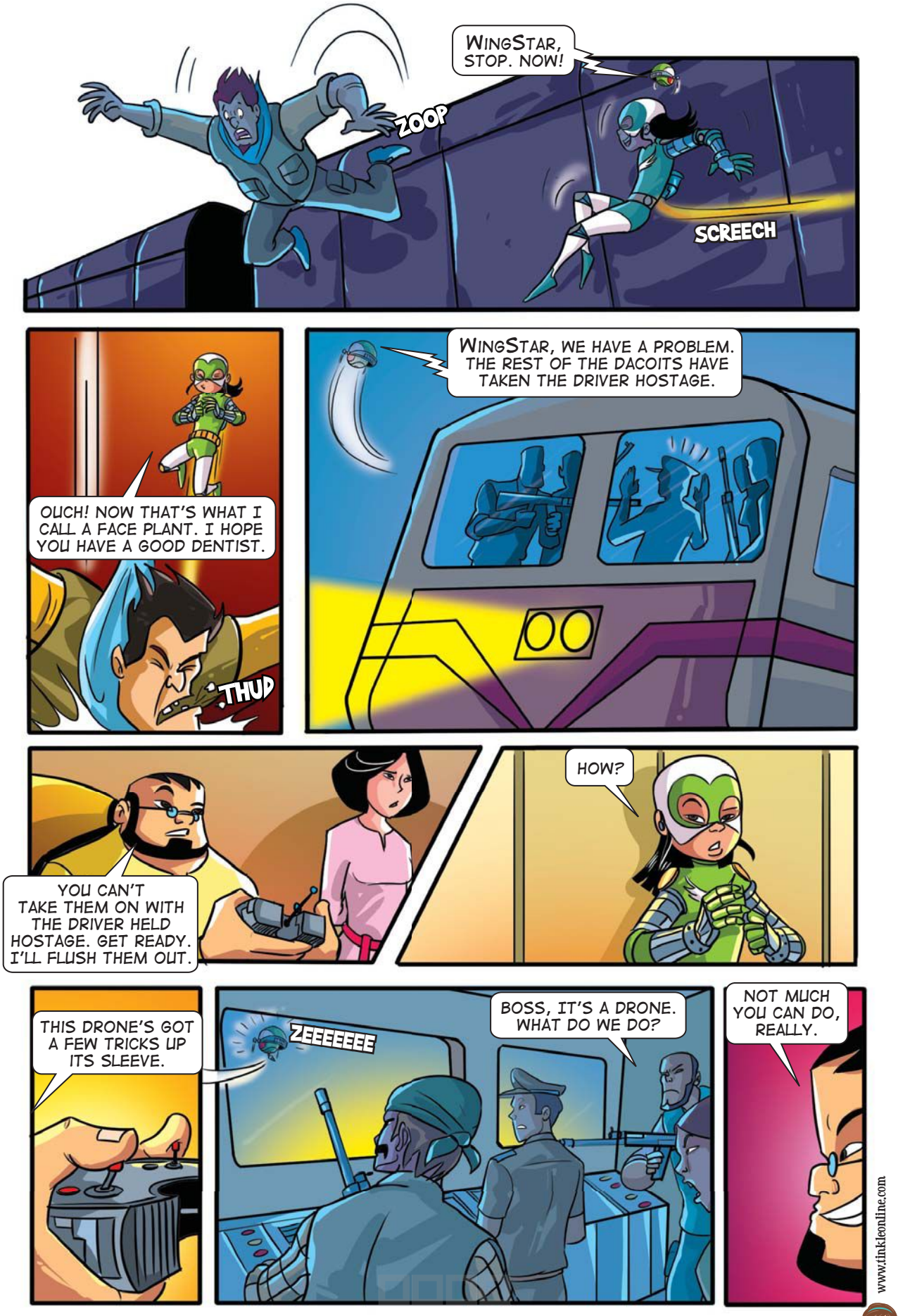

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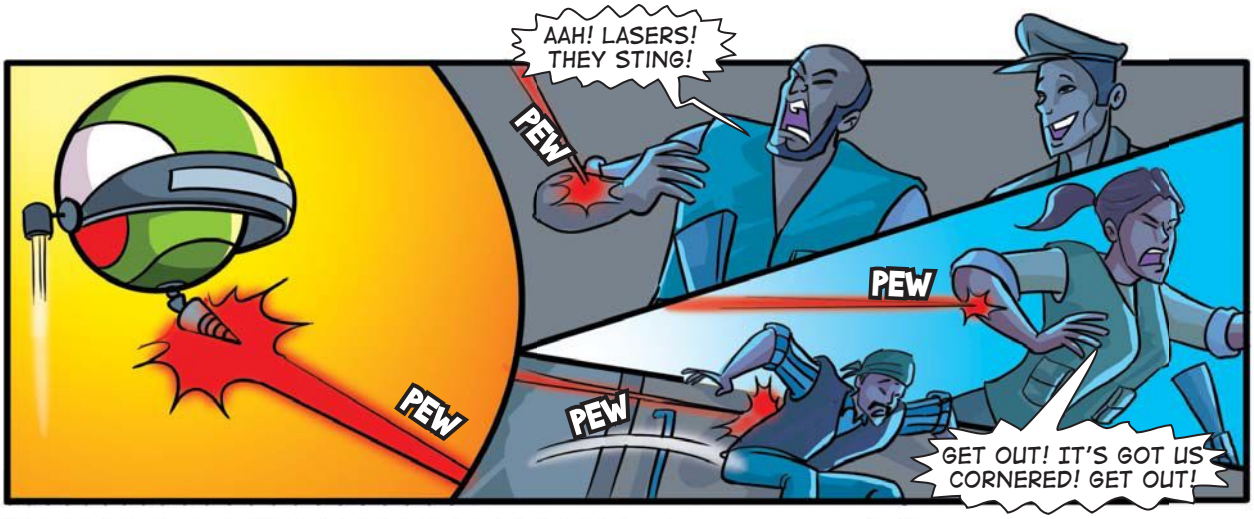

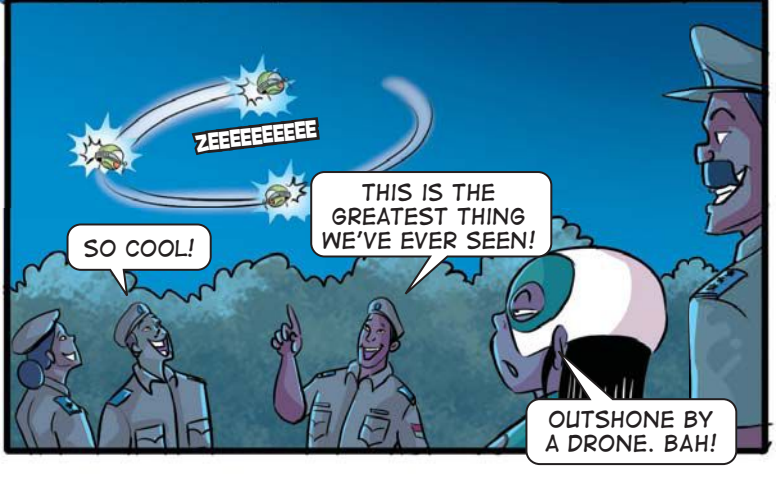

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Why:

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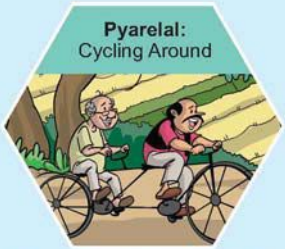

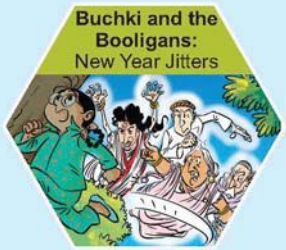

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Word play

Are you glib of tongue, quick of pen? Have words always been your friends, ready to do your bidding? Well, all that is about to change right here, on this page. The words and phrases here listen to no one. They have but one aim… to defeat you. Is your vocabulary prepped for battle yet?

1

distraught
(Pyarelal: Cycling Around)
a. disobey what is taught
b. angry at being disturbed
c. extremely upset and worried

2

aerial
(It Happened to Me)
a. in or from the air
b. beautiful to look at
c. a hilly area

3

limelight
(Know-It-All: A Furry Story)
a. a green light
b. a light but giant lemon
c. the focus of everyone's attention

4

appetite
(What a Load of Croc(k)!)
a. an app for pets that fight all the time
b. the need to satisfy hunger
c. the determination to take revenge

5

devouring
(What a Load of Croc(k)!)
a. eating hungrily rather quickly
b. destroying all flowers
c. stomping on

6

unattended
(Tinkle Times)
a. not give attendance in school
b. not looked after or noticed
c. paid too much attention

7

debut
(Tinkle Times)
a. blue coloured dew
b. scare or terrorize people
c. make its first appearance

8

emerged
(Buchki and the Booligans: New Year Jitters)
a. merge two electronic devices
b. made of emeralds
c. moved or came out of something

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craving
(Buchki and the Booligans: New Year Jitters)
a. loving intensely
b. wanting strongly
c. continuously smelling

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realm
(Buchki and the Booligans: New Year Jitters)
a. place or land
b. realize something
c. make a really bad mess

Answers: 1-c, 2-a, 3-c, 4-b, 5-a, 6-b, 7-c, 8-c, 9-b, 10-a
So how have you fared at this game of words?
1-3/10… You're a POW (Prisoner of Words).
Do better next time to escape their clutches.
4-7/10… You're a 'Word in Progress'. Keep going!
8-9/10… You're a 'Word-wide Wonder'! Good job!
10/10… Wordsmith of the Fortnight! Celebrate your victory!

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